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Guerillas Announce Red State Formation In Northern Greece

ATHENS, Greece, Dec. 24 (AP)—The guerilla chieftain, Gen. Markos Vafiades announced by radio today the formation of an independent Communist state in the north, thereby creating a situation which could explode into a Greek civil war.

The broadcast summoned members of EAM, the military branch of the Leftist national resistance front known as EAM, to "take up arms" to support the "first provisional democratic government of free Greece."

Premier Themistokles Sophoulis declared the new Communist state probably would be recognized by Greece's pro-Soviet northern neighbors.

Should that come about, the pouring in of arms and munitions to the support of the northern separatists would be facilitated. Since aid for the Athens government already is coming from the United States the situation thus contained explosive possibilities.

Members of the United Nations special commission on the Balkans, set up to investigate border incidents, said the past week that the creation of an independent Communist state with open assistance by the northern neighbors would constitute a "threat to peace" and a session of the U. N. General assembly probably would be called to meet the situation.

Greek military men at Salonika said they believed the broadcast originated from a station in the Balkans, probably Yugoslavia. The announcement did not give the location of the new state or its capital.

Vafiades, who has been going under the name of "Gen. Markos," was named prime minister and minister of war.

The other ministers in the new government were listed as: John Joannides, vice-premier, minister of interior; Petros Roussos, foreign affairs; Miliades Porphyrovenis, justice; Vassilis Bartzokas, finance; Petros Kokkalis, health, social welfare and education; Dimitrios Vladas, agriculture; Leonidas Strungos, national economy and food.

All are Communists or EAM leaders. Strungos is a former editor of the suppressed Communist newspaper Rizospastis. Porphyrovenis, who was minister of labor in the liberation Greek cabinet, told a Communist meeting in France the past summer that an independent state will soon be formed.

Hungry People To Get U. S. Aid, Truman Says

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—President Truman promised the "cold and hungry" of other lands today that they will get American aid.

"As we prepare to celebrate our Christmas this year in a land of plenty, we would be heartless indeed if we were indifferent to the plight of less fortunate peoples overseas," he said in a Christmas eve message.

Mr. Truman spoke at the ceremonial throwing of an electric switch to light a giant Christmas tree on the White House south lawn.

The President asked Americans to remember that this will be a "homeless Christmas" for "many of our brethren in Europe and Asia" as it was a homeless one for Joseph and Mary for whom there was no room in the inn.

"There can be little happiness for those who will keep another Christmas in poverty and exile and in separation from loved ones," he said.

He recalled the words of St. Paul, "And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three, but the greatest of these is charity," and added:

"We believe this. We accept it as a basic principle of our lives. The great heart of the American people has been moved to compassion by the needs of those in other lands who are cold and hungry."

"We have supplied a part of their needs and we shall do more. In this, we are maintaining the American tradition."

COMMUNAL WAR CURBS WORSHIP IN HOLY LAND

Christmas Eve Services At Birthplace of Christ Are Marked by Tension

BETHLEHEM, Dec. 24 (AP)—Christmas eve worshippers, reduced to a faithful few by a downpour of rain and the hazards of Arab-Jewish communal strife, began the Yuletide celebration Wednesday in the Church of the Nativity.

Outside, in Manger Square, police stood with tommyguns or peered from sandbag barricades atop the ancient church built over the manger where the prince of peace was born.

A few dozen pious Christian Arabs from Bethlehem braved the weather and the threat of possible disorders. Absent were the usual thousands who make the pilgrimage to the birthplace of Christendom on Christmas eve.

Representatives of both the Catholic and Protestant branches of Christianity held their services in the sacred city.

A few minutes after the Latin Catholic celebrant, Msgr. Vincent Gelat, apostolic administrator, had entered the Church of the Nativity, leaden skies parted before a brief ray of sunshine, and a pale shaft of rainbow slanted down.

Down in the sacred grotto, where churches have built altars on the spot where Jesus is believed to have lain in a manger, Bethlehem women in their distinctive headresses came to pray. Now and then during the morning a British soldier, his rifle clanking on the marble floor, came to worship.

In other years British troops numbering in the thousands have participated in the celebrations. Today, with virtual war in the Holy Land between Jews who fight for statehood and Arabs who oppose them, soldiers for the most part are on security duty, attempting to halt the killing while Christians pray for peace.

This will be the last year the British military likely will be seen in any numbers in Palestine on Christmas. After 30 years, Britain is surrendering her mandate over the Holy Land.

In the side streets of Bethlehem, merchants who sell trinkets to the worshippers complained that the weather was cutting down their trade. Gone entirely were the chestnut vendors whose hawking cries on past Christmases mingled with the ringing of Bethlehem's bells and the chanting of churchmen.

A procession of clergy started at noon Wednesday from historic Jaffa gate in Jerusalem, near where King Herod sat on his throne at the time of the birth of Christ. The Catholic procession, moving behind mounted police outriders, was led by Msgr. Gelat, native of Jaffa and the first Arab in 100 years to conduct Christmas services in Bethlehem.

At the church of the Nativity, center of the Catholic observance, prayers began at noon in the sacred grotto, to continue without interruption until the early hours of Christmas Day. Smaller services also were being held at other shrines throughout the ancient graystone church and in the Franciscan Church of St. Catherine's next door.

Protestants of half a dozen denominations held their Christmas eve services at night in the open courtyard of St. George's cathedral of the Greek Orthodox convent, led by Anglican Bishop Weston Stewart and with Sir Alan Cunningham, Palestine high commissioner, attending.

J. H. Pollock, district commissioner, was designated to represent the Palestine government at the Catholic services. Protestant carol singers also were invited to participate.

Cottage Is Their Christmas Palace

UNION DEPOSIT, Dec. 24 (AP)—Thanks to a pre-Christmas benefactor, an eight by 12-foot chicken coop will no longer be the home of a mother and her nine children at nearby Sandy Beach.

Mrs. Charles Fox, whose children ranging from 11 months to 18 years have slept on a cot or a draughty floor for the past month, said she received assurance today they will be moved to a clean, livable cottage "within the next few days."

"It's going to be a merry Christmas for us after all," she said, after being informed the Lebanon County Aid society was successful in obtaining the cottage at Mt. Wilson, near here.

The family moved into the coop when their home for 12 years was sold. Chicken nests were thrown out, a rug, electric light, an old-fashioned pot-bellied stove and small table added.

Fox is a steelworker and fires apartment houses furnaces at night, sleeping on a bench in the cellar of one place. The mother and two youngest children have slept on a three-quarter cot while the others stretched out on blankets on the floor.

You will enjoy skating and show at the Rocks, Christmas Night. Assorted color Rytex Printed Stationery. Mercury Office. Heat in Winter. Cool in Summer. Mike Raymond, 378 Cherry, PH. 2231

Pottstown Makes This Christmas Her Happiest

To the kind people of Pottstown:

When they asked me at the hospital what I wanted for Christmas, I said:

"Nothing! I just want to get well! I want to get well so I may help other crippled kiddies in this world."

The people of Pottstown have been so kind to me that it's hard to say anything but "Thanks."

It has been just

wonderful the way so many folks gave their dollars to help me.

I hope I can do the same for someone someday.

Pottstown has made this a merry Christmas for me and my folks. I certainly

wish you all the merriest Christmas and a happy New Year.



—Mercury Staff Photo

AFTER 17 long years of helplessness, Nancy Ann Dalgleish (above), still can smile. Her happiest smile today is for the generous persons of Pottstown and vicinity who contributed \$6951.77 to "Nancy's Christmas Fund." The fund grew to that large amount yesterday as generous Pottstonians poured out their hearts in the community's greatest Christmas gift. The funds will be used to pay Nancy's hospital expenses in her fight for rehabilitation.

Nancy, born a spastic, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Dalgleish, 49 East

Main street, South Pottstown. Although helpless from birth, Nancy still can laugh. She has been praised frequently because she can teach some of us who are more fortunate the meaning of fortitude and the will to recover.

Nancy can't write. But she did dictate a few words of thanks yesterday — thanks to the thousands of persons who contributed to her fight for health. Her "thank you" note is duplicated above. Beneath is her "signature." Nancy, although shaken by tremors, printed her name for her many benefactors.

Wheels of Industry Grind to Halt for Christmas Holiday

Christmas is just another working day for telephone operators, waitresses, bus drivers and other service employees, but for the industrial workers in Pottstown it means a free day, with many plants closed down until Monday morning.

Among the plants that shut their doors yesterday for a long Christmas weekend were the Dohler-Jarvis corporation, the Spicer Manufacturing division of the Dana corporation and the Quality Knitting company.

The Bethlehem Steel corporation plant was closed yesterday afternoon and will remain shut for Christmas, as well as the Stanley C. Flag company, the Firestone Tire and Rubber company, the New England Auto Products company and the Rabunson Clay Products company, where kiln operators will constitute the only working force.

The Bell Telephone company will operate on its holiday schedule, and the long distance staff will be augmented to handle the expected flood of out-of-town calls, while the local staff will be reduced.

Salvation Army Party Set for Tomorrow Night

A Christmas party for children of the Salvation Army's Sunday schools at the King street outdoor, and at Hildale and Penn Village will be held tomorrow night at 7 o'clock at 288 King street.

In yesterday's Mercury the party was erroneously scheduled for Sunday.

It was announced that both Sopho Xanthopoulos and James Marusi, co-partners of the Embassy restaurant, donated two 20-pound turkeys to the Salvation Army for Christmas distribution.

Quick Radio Repairs. Call 3430. J. Pegely & Son, 38 High St. Don't Miss Christmas Party and Show—Rocks, Christmas Night. Now open at 17 N. Hanover, Chas. Longacre, Jeweler, formerly in Arcade. Levensgood's Cup Open 4:30 to 6:30 Christmas Day. Package goods only. Kozak Bros. Cooper's Beer P. 1935-W

Nearly \$7000 Contributed To Nancy's Yule Present

"Nancy's Christmas Fund" neared \$7000 as last-minute gifts were tabulated by The Mercury last night. The day-before-Christmas contributions totaled \$716.25, to swell the grand total to \$6951.77.

While the fund was to close Christmas, The Mercury will acknowledge late gifts, and will give contributors a full accounting of all expenditures.

Previously acknowledged \$6235.52

Assembly shop, Bethlehem Steel company	14.40
Mr. & Mrs. William H. Albright	1.00
Stowe	1.00
A Friend	1.00
Rev. Leon & Ellen Stuffed, & Roy Bernhard	2.00
Charles & Edna	2.00
Marie & Mickey	1.00

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Watermelon Dinner Saved for Big Day

A white Christmas may not be in the books this year, but a Stowe resident is all set to gorge himself upon a white watermelon—white-washed, that is.

He is William Colbert, 24 Cottage Row, who both varnished and white-washed a 15-pound watermelon three months in preparation for the Christmas feast to which he has invited his friends.

A native of Upper Marlboro, Prince George county, Md. the land of white-washed watermelons and other southern delicacies, Colbert has lived here for the past 47 years and works for the Blaw-Knox Construction corporation, currently in operation at the Firestone Tire and Rubber company.

There's no fear of vanishing the inside of his or his guests' stomachs, Colbert avers, since the watermelon hide is tough, thick and sufficiently non-porous to keep the pulp on the inside, which, apparently, improves with age.

Good Will Dance — Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dan Garber. Santa Claus at the Rocks, Christmas Night—Special Bus Service. Christian Science Reading Room, 910 High, Open tonight 7 to 9, Phone 427-J for Delivery

Proposed Budget Shows Inequalities In Borough Taxes

A survey of the tentative budget Borough Manager Dow I. Sears will submit to borough council in January yesterday showed that while homeowners receive \$3015 worth of services from the borough during the year, hundreds of citizens are not paying a proportionate share of the costs.

Sears' breakdown shows that based on an average figure of 6200 dwelling units in Pottstown, it costs the borough government \$1170 per home to afford residents police protection.

In addition, \$9 per home is spent for sewers and disposal facilities, \$3.75 per home for street lighting, and \$5.65 per home for garbage collection.

Hundreds of homes, however, are assessed so low, that their owners are paying only a small fraction of their equitable share of the costs. Some owners receive these services for as little as \$420 per year.

In order to correct this inequity, it has been suggested that Burgess William A. Griffith, a representative of assessments committee, set a minimum assessment of \$1900 on homes in Pottstown.

Even under this suggested improvement, many will not be paying a full share of the costs. The present tax rate of 14 mills would make the taxes on a house assessed at \$1000 amount to only \$14 per year, \$16.15 less than the cost of the services.

Tentatively, the borough is scheduled to spend \$138,000 during 1948 and can expect an income from taxes of only \$205,000. The remainder of the cost must be paid out of miscellaneous revenues accruing to the borough during the year.

Young Trucks Now For Sale. Laurei Locks Farms. Phone 427-J. Trucks for sale. Karl Buchholz. Phone 3210-R-11

Dr. Alice E. Sheppard will be out of town Saturday and Sunday. Pekar Studio Closed. Until Monday, December 29. Watches, Diamonds, Wedding Rings, Levis, High and Hanover Streets

8 PERSONS HURT IN TWO CRASHES ON ICY CURVE

Accidents Occur Within Few Minutes on Route 100; None of Injuries Serious

Two men required hospital treatment and six other persons suffered minor injuries as four vehicles were involved in two collisions, only a few moments apart, on an icy curve of Route 100, north of Fleming Springs, early yesterday afternoon.

Frederick Hackett, 29, of Allentown, was treated in Pottstown hospital for a laceration of the scalp and a fractured left hand, and David Kowal, 20, of Wilmington, RD 3, Del., was treated for a fracture and lacerations of the left leg.

After Kowal's leg was placed in a cast he was allowed to return to his home for further treatment.

Kowal was driving a 15-ton coal tractor-trailer south on West Chester pike, and as he rounded a curve, his vehicle was passed by Anthony Kometic, of Northampton.

As Kometic rounded the large truck he saw Hackett's car coming north.

Kometic barely squeezed ahead of the truck into the southbound lane, and Hackett, fearful of a head-on collision, jammed on his brakes. His car skidded on the roadway and slammed into the gas tank of the coal truck, puncturing it. In addition, the left front fender of his car was crumpled.

Only Hackett was injured in the first crash, and a number of the men went out on the highway to warn oncoming traffic.

As they were directing traffic, a car driven by Michael J. Borowy, of 231 South Washington street, came upon two other vehicles that were halted behind the truck, skidded and dragged several of the men along the highway before it crashed into Hackett's car, forcing it up an embankment.

Kowal was the most seriously hurt when Borowy's car dragged him along the road, but Normal Marvel, 21, of Claymont, Del., Harold Fogelman, 21, of Wilmington RD 3, and Gerald Custer, of Limeport, Lehigh county, who had stopped to help direct traffic, received slight brush burns and bruises. Fogelman and Marvel were passengers in Kowal's truck.

In addition, Mrs. Mary Borowy, the mother of the driver, suffered bruises of the forehead when her head hit the windshield after the Borowy and Hackett cars collided.

Hackett was taken to the hospital by Kometic, and Kowal by an ambulance of the Good Will Fire company.

Trooper W. J. Farra, of the Devon sub-station, State police, who investigated, said that Borowy would be charged with driving without a license, and that Kometic would face the charge of improper passing.

Two cars were damaged in an accident at High and Adams streets at 5 p. m. yesterday as both drivers thought they had a green light with them. No one was injured.

As the light changed, James H. Moyer, 1012 Queen, going south on Adams, turned into High street, John L. Gardian, Pennsburg RD, going east on High street, turned into Adams at the same time.

The front of Moyer's car was wrinkled, while damage to the other machine was on the left side.

Mercury Published On Holiday Schedule

The Mercury went to press at 9 o'clock last night, five hours earlier than usual, because of the holiday eve.

The office of The Mercury will be closed today, with the Editorial department re-opening at 3 p. m. and the classified advertising department at 6 p. m.

ON THE MAIN DRAG

MELROSE WEIDENSAUL —taking bottles to a store.

ED BOROWY —adjusting his necktie.

RUTH TAGGERT —preparing a special meal.

RAY GREINER —smoking a cigar, as usual.

YOLANDA SARACENTI —resting after house cleaning.

CHARLES KOROTKA —slamming a door.

HAROLD MILLER —quoting prices of soaps.

RAY ELLIOTT —correcting a music score.

JAY BOUGHTER —greeting an old friend.

SAM PRINCE —reading in a barber shop.

TOM ZELLERS —inspecting a lighting system.

MADDELINE RHOADS —drinking cold water.

ALLEN DELONG —making a snowman.

SAUL SCHWARTZ —walking slowly to work.

College Students Gathered In Homes Here for Yuletide

"Welcome home son! Welcome home daughter!"

These words must have been uttered dozens of times in the last week as Pottstown's college students were returned to enjoy the warmth that is received by merely being with loved ones on the most miraculous of all days—Christmas.

The past September many of Pottstown's younger set beamed at the prospect of attending colleges, universities, preparatory schools, and government institutions. Three months later, they are bursting with joy because they have come home to spend several weeks just enjoying the comfort of their own fire-sides.

Among those who have returned is Robert Holmes, who is attending Pennsylvania State college. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Holmes, of Douglassville.

Francis Elliott, a student at Sullins college, Bristol, Va., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Elliott, of Upson Downs farm, Perkiomenville.

Barbara Snell, a student at Hope college, Holland, Mich., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Clair Snell, Third and York streets.

Hanna Schorsch, a Jewish hospital student, Philadelphia, is spending the holidays with her parents, Rabbi and Mrs. Emil Schorsch, 538 Chestnut street.

Betty Griffiths, a student at Hood college, Md., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Griffiths, Seven Springs, Unionville.

Anita Friedman, a student at the Jewish hospital, Philadelphia, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Moyer, 410 Beech street.

Stephen Barna, a Lehigh University student, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Barna, Rahns Hill, RD 4.

Robert Swinehart, a student at Kutztown State Teachers college, (Continued on Page Twenty-three)

Eve Rites Open Observance of Christmas Here

Congregations of Pottstown churches gathered late last night in traditional commemoration of the birth of Christ, singing the old, familiar hymns and carols in the soft gleam of candlelight, and the celebration of Christmas Day will begin this morning with sunrise services.

Dawn services will be held in the Emmanuel Lutheran, Grace Lutheran, Trinity Evangelical Congregational, St. John's Reformed, Trinity Reformed, Transfiguration Lutheran, St. John's Lutheran and First Methodist churches.

Christmas masses will be celebrated in the Catholic churches, starting at 5 a. m. in St. Aloysius and Holy Trinity churches, and at 6 a. m. in St. Peter's Roman Catholic church.

Processions by the choirs, the symbolic passing of a candle throughout the churches and presentations of the Christmas story through song and colored slides marked candlelight services last night in the following churches:

Christ Episcopal, Seales Memorial Methodist St. Paul's Reformed, St. Peter's Lutheran, St. James

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No Snow Predicted For Christmas Day

Hopes for a white Christmas in Pottstown melted last night as the weatherman firmly announced there would be clear skies today.

Just to make sure kiddies with new sleds would not keep their noses pressed against windows all day, he added that the temperature would rise in the afternoon.

Yesterday most of Tuesday's snow-rain disappeared, though the mercury couldn't push itself far enough above freezing to rid pavements of the ice that has been hampering those in a desperate hurry to buy gifts for the forgotten man.

The rest of the nation was also in for a snow-less Christmas, said the weather bureau, except around New England where a storm piled four to fifteen inches of snow around, and took seven lives. The storm has gone to sea.

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High Antics Low

TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and last night were:

4 a. m.	28	1 p. m.	33
5 a. m.	26	2 p. m.	34
6 a. m.	25	3 p. m.	34
7 a. m.	24	4 p. m.	34
8 a. m.	25	5 p. m.	33
9 a. m.	26	6 p. m.	31
10 a. m.	28	7 p. m.	30
11 a. m.	30	8 p. m.	30
12 m.	33	9 p. m.	29

The Season's Greetings

May this Christmas
bring you gladness and a full
measure of contentment.
And may
the New Year
open up
new vistas of happiness!

J. J. FICHTOL & BRO.
319 High St., Pottstown

Christmas Cheer

May the dawn of this
new Christmas bring you
the jolliest you've ever
had. Best greetings.

RICHARD H. CADMUS
Justice of the Peace — Insurance

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Above all—may good cheer
and health be yours this
Christmas season.

RINGING ROCKS
Roller Skating Club
Walter Wolf, Prop.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Here's much joy, true
cheer, a year of merri-
ment to you this Christmas
season.

CHARLES W. HOFFMAN
115 High St. Garage Pottstown

Best Wishes

Now and in the bright
days to come, may Joy
and Good Cheer be plen-
tifully yours.

Paul I. Romig
FLORIST
38-40 BEECH STREET

Merry Christmas

We wish each and
every member of
this community ...
a Christmas chock
full of joyous, last-
ing contentment.

Here's to an old-fashioned Christmas with
plenty of good luck to last through
the whole year.

PRIZER'S
Electrical Appliances
PUGHTOWN

E. K. WEIKEL
10 N. HANOVER ST.

Greetings

AND BEST WISHES

It is with the deepest sincerity that we extend our
best wishes to all our friends this glorious Christ-
mas. May your every wish be fulfilled and may
the joys that fill your hearts serve as happy
memories in the many months to come.

THE SECURITY TRUST CO.
"The Bank of the People"
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Christmas Greetings

Our holiday wishes go
forth to greet you!
Merry Christmas,
everyone, Merry
Christmas! May the
new season glow with
an abundance of all
good things!

W. S. ANTRIM & SON
62 HIGH STREET

CLOVER LEAF DAIRY
and Restaurant

*GREETINGS
OF THE
SEASON*

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO ALL

**POTTSTOWN AUTO
REFINISHING CO.**
HIGH AND GREEN STREETS

GREETINGS

Christmas Joy

In Appreciation of your valued patronage
we wish you all a

Very Merry Christmas and a
Happy and Prosperous New Year

JOHNNY'S SERVICE STATION
MOBILGAS • MOBILOIL • MOBILUBRICATION
24-HOUR SERVICE

Yuletide Greetings

The tinkling of sleigh bells; the white snow
blanketing the ground; the green, green trees
lit up with a myriad of colors — that's Christ-
mas! The laughter of happy children: the glee
of all over exchanged gifts and greetings —
that's Christmas. And our wish for you is that
it be the merriest you've ever enjoyed!

VAN BUSKIRK & BRO.
Established 1861
218 HIGH STREET

Nearly \$7000 Contributed To Nancy's Yule Present

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E. Y. Smith	1.00	Mrs. Valeria Kuszyk	1.00
A Friend	1.00	Just a Mother, Collegeville	1.00
Mr. & Mrs. H. W. Christman	5.00	Mrs. Elizabeth Kopcho	1.00
Mrs. Clarence L. Funk, Kimberton	1.00	A Friend	1.00
A Friend from Sanatoga	2.00	A Friend, Knauertown	1.00
W. E. Crossdale Men	13.00	Nancy Ann & Sandra Gerges, Roversford	2.00
Nancy, Diane & Richard	1.00	Mrs. Annie March, Spring City	2.00
Walter E. Dames Company Men's Bible Class, First Presbyterian church	15.00	Mr. & Mrs. D. P. Clauser, Shanesville	5.00
Mrs. Helen Binczak	1.00	TOTAL	\$6951.77
Santa Claus, Boyertown	5.00		
Mrs. Beatrice D. Griffith	1.00		
A Sympathizing Friend	2.00		
Mr. & Mrs. L. Schwenkville, RD	1.00		
Eliza	1.00		
Mrs. A. L. B.	2.00		
A Friend	1.00		
Bruce T. Pierce	1.00		
Just a Mite from Boyertown	1.00		
Equine Room, Elks Club	10.00		
Smoe & His Wife	10.00		
Jerome Haines	10.00		
J. M. Leblang	1.00		
Employees of Pottstown Manufacturing Company	81.10		
Bethlehem Steel Co., Second Shift, Shop No. 2	23.00		
Vicky George Collection, Very Best Weiner Shop	618		
Carole Ann Cyster	1.00		
Mrs. Mae Hallman	1.00		
S. W. J.	1.00		
Three Friends	3.00		
S. E. M.	2.00		
A Friend	1.00		
Mrs. Walter Beriolet, Kenilworth	1.00		
A Well Wisher from Schwenkville	10.00		
A Friend, Norristown	1.00		
Best of Luck, a Friend	10.00		
Contributed at Frank Hartenstein's Grocery Store	16.25		
Two Friends	1.00		
H. L. M.	1.00		
Mr. & Mrs. William Derrick	2.00		
Primary Sunday school department, Church of the Transfiguration	5.00		
A. A. B.	2.00		
Ray L. Curchoe	10.00		
Ben Borger	5.00		
Pearl & Bob, Parkerford	2.00		
A Friend	2.00		
Joy & Peggy Ann	2.00		
A Friend	1.00		
A Rural Reader	1.00		
De Soi Plating Works	11.25		
A Friend	5.00		
A Friend	5.00		
Miss Ray Bloom, Conshohocken	3.00		
Mrs. Ida Placido	1.00		
Mr. & Mrs. Grant S. Walters, Philadelphia	5.00		
Dorcas Bible class, St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Knauertown	5.00		
Janice, Carl & Shirley, Spring City	3.00		
Estella B. Herbine	1.00		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Rayson, Linfield	2.00		
An Old Neighbor	1.00		
No Name	1.00		
L. N. and M., Two Old Third Street Neighbors	2.00		

BOYERTOWN

"Wishing All My Patrons and Friends -A- Merry Christmas

Howard S. Schanely
313 E. Third St.
BOYERTOWN

Distributor for
Maier's Baked Products
- READING -

BEST WISHES for a HAPPY CHRISTMAS

THAT'S OUR WISH TO YOU

Happy New Year, Too

THE LEGION ALLEYS of BOYERTOWN

White House Pup



Airline stewardess June Cotey holds "Feller," a three-weeks-old silver cocker spaniel, just before the puppy was shipped from Chicago to become President Truman's White House mascot. The little dog is the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Marsden, of Galena, Ill., life - long friends of the President.

Obituaries

Funeral services for **ELMER E. SNELL**, husband of Elizabeth (Gottshall) Snell, of the **MONTGOMERY COUNTY HOME, BLACK ROCK**, former Pottstown resident, were held yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street.

Officiating was the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran church. Interment was made in Fairview cemetery, Boyertown.

Bearers were Harold Cressman, Robert Cressman, Linwood Reifsnider, Joseph Snell Jr. and Paul Wagner.

1 Dead, 25 injured In Media Accident

MEDIA, Dec. 24 (P)—Head-on collision of two Red Arrow line trolley cars today killed a woman passenger and injured about 25 other persons.

The dead woman, of middle age, was taken to Chester hospital where she remained unidentified several hours after the crash. Fourteen of the injured were treated at Media hospital.

One of the motorists, Louis Hunter, about 50, was unconscious and in critical condition. He was crushed against the controls of his car. The other motorist, Robert Haines, 26, suffered shock and cuts of the face.

The collision occurred a mile east of Media at a turn out on the single track line between 69th street and Media. The Media bound car pulled too soon out of the turn-out. The cars crashed together just as the rear truck of the Media-bound trolley crossed the switch onto the main tracks.

The impact telescoped the two front ends of the cars together, smashing in the cars as far back as the rear of the motorist's platform. Passengers were hurled from their seats.

During World War II the United States produced about 50 billion eggs annually.

Police Force Entertained By Burgess Griffith

Burgess William A. Griffith entertained the Pottstown police force at an informal party in the borough hall auditorium from 5-7 p. m. yesterday with all the members of the force manning to attend the affair although only briefly in many instances.

Between bites of the cold lunch and exchanges of cigars the Burgess invited the continued cooperation of the police force, while Chief of Police James A. Laughead, speaking for all his men, assured Griffith that they would work wholeheartedly, with team-work the key-note.

Smoker Fined \$50, Gets Free Cigar, Too

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 24 (P)—Harry Katzhinski was fined \$50 and presented with a cigar today by District Judge Harvey L. Neelen, who annually hands out smokes to defendants and policemen the day before Christmas.

The charge against Katzhinski? Smoking in bed.

HOTEL GUESTS FLEE FIRE

CHARLESTON, Dec. 24 (P)—Fifty guests were routed from the Charleston hotel early today when fire broke out in a super market next door. The hotel was undamaged but police estimated the loss amounted to more than \$5000 for the super market.

Haiti, with an area smaller than Maryland, is the smallest American Republic.

A Very Merry Christmas To All

IRVIN M. BOUGHTER
555 West St.
Phone 2970

CHURCH SERVICES —

(Continued From Page One)

Lutheran. First Baptist and First Presbyterian.

An hour-long pageant was the Yuletide Eve service in the New Hanover Lutheran church, where 19 members of the Adult Sunday school class presented "The Other Wise Man," while the 30-voice choir, directed by Mrs. Leonard Saylor, opened the candle-light procession and provided the music for the pageant.

Christmas Presents Burned by Mistake

EASTON, Dec. 24 (P)—Santa Claus was forced to restock his gift bag before visiting the Louis A. Iomano home tonight.

Tomamo cleaned his cellar yesterday and placed several cartons of refuse on the street curb for collection. Today he rushed to city hall to ask aid in recovering a box of gaily-wrapped Christmas gifts. Tomamo had hidden them in the cellar and thrown them out with the refuse.

But he was too late. The boxes already were in the city incinerator.

DDT has been found effective in eliminating barnacles from ship bottoms.

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Stolen Truck Recovered North of Yellow House

Pottstown's car thief, who has stolen autos with bad lights and a quart of gasoline, chose a tractor truck without water in the radiator and abandoned it early yesterday in a field near Route 562 north of Yellow House.

The truck of Thomas Eidell, 933 Queen street, was stolen from the lot near his shop at 843 Queen street.

Monday morning, about 12 hours after it was overhauled. Because of the bad lights, the truck was put in the motor before its test run.

Missing from the truck were a jack, fire extinguishers and flares, while the bumper was damaged.

Eidell was checking last night to see if the motor will need its second overhauling in four days.

During World War II, the United States virtually ceased importing green tea.

SINCERE WISHES for A Very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

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The Pump Man
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AT Christmas

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1947

The flower that we do not pluck
is the only one that never loses its
beauty or its fragrance.

The Christmas Story

AND Joseph also went up from
Gahlee, out of the city of
Nazareth, into Judaea, unto
the city of David, which is
called Bethlehem; (because
he was of the house and
lineage of David.)
To be taxed with Mary
his espoused wife, being
great with child.
And so it was, that, while
they were there, the days
were accomplished that she
should be delivered.
And she brought forth
her firstborn son, and wrapped him
in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger;
because there was no room for them at the inn.

And there were in the same country
shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch
over their flock by night.
And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon
them, and the glory of the Lord shone round
about them; and they
were sore afraid.

And the angel said
unto them. Fear not:
for, behold I bring you
good tidings of great joy,
which shall be to all
people.

For unto you is born
this day in the city
of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye
shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling
clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel
a multitude of the heavenly host praising
God, and saying,
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace, good will toward
men.

And it came to pass, as
the angels were gone away
from them into heaven,
the shepherds said one
to another, Let us now
go even unto Bethlehem, and
see this thing which is
come to pass, which the
Lord hath made known
unto us.

And they came with haste, and found
Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a
manger.

And when they had seen it, they made
known abroad the saying which was told
them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at
those things which were told them by the
shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered
them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying
and praising God for all the things that
they had heard and seen, as it was told
unto them.—Luke 2:4-20.

"Headache" to Vets
MOST veterans going to college, if asked to
identify their No. 1 headache would unhesitatingly
reply: "The professors."

If the veterans take a dim view of the
educators it is because, they aver: (1) Too
many of the teachers are not qualified; (2)
some know their subject but don't know how
to teach; (3) many think it necessary to
wander away from the subject with irrelevant
comments, stale jokes, tiresome stories.

Every Bit Helps
ONE of the trials of being a veteran is the
tape one must go through in dealing
with the veterans administration.

But things are going to be better from
now on out. VA's Washington main office
has put out a long mimeographed statement
that it has "streamlined" its procedures in
the interest of "better service" to the veteran.

Whereas the administration was using
19,841 forms in its paper work, it now uses only
9,698 forms in its paper work.

Grampaw Oakley
PUNKIN CORNERS,
December 24.

Editor, The Mercury,
Dear Sir 'n' Brother:
Wal, I see by the papers where the diplo-
mats already have gotten their Christmas
present. It's a jigsaw puzzle
called Germany.

An item says in Novem-
ber 15 that the record
number of eggs, But the
radio comedians weren't a
bad second!

Paper dollars, says the
US treasury, are wearing
out too fast. At this time
of the year it proves that
though they're not round,
they travel just as fast as
the silver ones.

And say: Junior, not getting all he asked
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person's name. Poetry and communica-
tions advocating the election of
political candidates are not acceptable.

By MERCURY READERS

Tribute Bestowed
To the Editor: In reference to the sen-
sational hermit case in which our formid-
able police department of Pottstown
"captured" this 72-year-old "John Dillinger,"
what a laugh! I would like to take
this opportunity to bestow on our brave
policemen the Order of the Purple Ass.

This old man had lived at the same
place for at least two years and maybe
more. Suddenly, the forces of law and
order swooped down and trap the criminal.
The case got more publicity in the
Mercury than the murder of Miriam
Green.

If the hermit had been tied up in that
murder case as much as certain others,
is there any doubt in your mind that he
would have "fired" by this time?

Of course the police wouldn't know
anything about the gambling rooms in
Pottstown. Nothing can be done about
this because maybe someone's toes would
be tread on.

In my opinion the law enforcement
men should spend more time preventing
crimes that border on felonies rather
than making a farce of a case such as
this.

Of course, it has been proven that
intelligence cannot be measured by the
office one holds in government. In fact
in many cases unparalleled stupidity has
been displayed by many prominent men.
—Pottstown J. A. F.

Let Them Stay Home
To the Editor: Women who have baby
sitters kick if they pay more than 25
cents an hour. They expect you to bathe
the baby and wash dishes; and still they
think it's too much. Why don't they
stay home, and let their mothers do it,
and take care of their babies themselves?
Pottstown KATHERINE

The Worry Clinic
By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE
DONNA L., 4, is an active little girl.
"But she gets into so much mischief
that she almost drives me frantic," her
mother protested.

"And sometimes she seems to take ac-
cidental delight in being naughty. She then
does things deliberately to irritate me."

"I've promised her rewards, such as
a trip over the week-end to see her
grandmother, but she doesn't respond
very well. And I tell her that Daddy will
spank her when he gets home at night,
but she doesn't seem to care."

"Dr. Crane, what can I do with her?
Is she unusually naughty or am I at
fault?"

Many parents fail to realize the in-
telligence level of their children, so they
expect too much of those immature minds.
On the famous Binet intelligence test
for youngsters, we have found that it isn't
until the normal child is 6 years old that
he can distinguish even such a simple
time difference as between morning ver-
sus afternoon.

If Donna this isn't oriented to the time
of day, it is folly to expect a week-end
trip to her grandmother's to be of great
value in modifying her behavior. That
week-end means little, for she hasn't an
adult's sense of time.

If a child doesn't even realize what
part of the day it is, we should not offer
such delayed rewards and expect them to
be very effective. Yet parents will try to
bribe a child of 3 or 4 by saying he may
have an ice cream cone in the afternoon
if he is very, very good this morning.

Since afternoon is so vague in the
mind of a child, it is easy to see why next
week is about like Christmas as an in-
definite future date.

It is also wrong to delay punishment,
either in the case of a child or a dog, seal
or any other animal that we are trying to
train. Unless a dog is punished at the
very moment of the misdeed, he doesn't
connect the whipping with his error, so it
simply confuses him.

In similar fashion, Donna would be
confused by punishment in the evening
for her mistake in the morning. Besides,
one parent should not be delegated to do
all the correcting of the children.

If the mother finds the child in error
and feels that punishment is necessary,
then it should be administered at once,
and not deferred until father gets home
at night.

If you will reward the right behavior
and heap praise upon the child for his
correct deeds, you can tactfully steer him
into the desirable forms of action.

If you meanwhile penalize the wrong
acts, you hasten the learning of the
proper behavior. Even without such pen-
alties, moreover, it is still possible to
steer the child into the correct pathways
simply by rewarding the right behavior,
but it takes longer and is thus not al-
ways efficient.

Several years ago the Dionne quin-
tuplets' nurse said she placed one of the
little girls in bed over 50 times the same
night in order to teach her to stay there.
That is a good method if mothers have
nothing else to do but devote their en-
tire attention to a single youngster.

If is inefficient, however, for a modern
mother can accomplish the same thing by
inflicting a "little pain" after the second
or third offense, as by snapping the
child into the proper line.

Don't strike the child with the whole
hand in punishing. It is pain that does
the effective work, so snap the child with
your finger. And try to make the pain
seem to attach to the misdeed instead
of to the punisher.

If you wish a copy of my 100-page
"TEST FOR A GOOD MOTHER" en-
close a long 3-cent stamped, self-addressed
envelope, plus a dime.

Use it for discussion purposes, too, at
your women's club meetings, as many
PTA groups around the country are do-
ing.

FLOWERS
FOR THE
LIVING
For
JANET MUTTER
222 1/2 North Charlotte
street.

BECAUSE her engage-
ment to Mr. Harold
Herringer, of 34 Beech
street, has been an-
nounced.

Fat Check Returned
To Aluminum Company
By RAY TUCKER

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The inside story also assumes un-
usual timeliness because of the utter fail-
ure of the recent London Conference of
Foreign Ministers, the Marshall report
on the reasons for the crack-up of all
peace plans and the not-so-cold war in
which the United States is now engaged
with Russia.

INDEPENDENCE: During the war the
government advanced more than \$20,000,-
000 for the construction of four plants de-
signed to produce aluminum from sev-
eral processes that used domestic clays
as a base.

With this material so essential for
manufacture of planes and many other
weapons, the underlying purpose was to
end our dependence on British Guiana
bauxite, a more efficient base for alumi-
num, but a supply which could be cut
off at any time by enemy submarines.

There were other considerations in
this expansion. Alcoa, for instance, had
a virtual monopoly on the British Guiana
source, as well as on domestic supplies
of bauxite. As the Bureau of Mines
pointed out, in view of an increasing,
postwar demand for the lighter metal, "it
is only by the continued operation of
such plants that methods are improved
and means found which will fit them into
our peacetime economic structure."

Although none of the four plants got
into production before the capitulation
of Germany and Japan, which came
sooner than even the military and indus-
trial planners expected, all the evidence
shows that it was intended to continue
experimentation for possible commercial
use of a product manufactured wholly
from domestic ingredients, even though
at the moment production costs ran high-
er than aluminum made from imported
bauxite.

HASTE: Three of the war plants were
disposed of almost overnight after V-J
Day, with much secrecy and haste. On
and off Capitol Hill the suspicion has
been aroused that there was too much of
both.

The procedure with respect to sur-
plus property is for the RFC to notify
the Army-Navy Munitions Board and
War Assets that certain federal hold-
ings are no longer needed for gov-
ernment purposes and are, there-
fore, in the category of surplus. If
the A-N agency feels that they are
required for national defense, it keeps
or leases them with requirements
that they be kept in a stand-by state.

The Army-Navy group, however, had
no use for the first three plants placed
in their custody. They sold a plant at
Salt Lake to the American Chemical &
Potash Company, one at Harleysville, S.
C., to the Giant Portland Cement Com-
pany of Philadelphia, one at Salem, Ore.,
to the Columbia Metals Co.

SIGNIFICANT: Opponents of this li-
quidation program think it significant
that the chairman of the Committee on
Aluminum Production of the Aluminum
and Magnesium Advisory Committee of
the Army-Navy Munitions Board is I. W.
Wilson. They think it even more per-
tinent that he happens to be vice-president
of the Aluminum Company of America.

In charges which may eventually be
laid before a federal court, they will try
to make the point that Wilson was chiefly
responsible for the hurried disposition of
prospective Alcoa competitors' plants to
companies which do not intend to make
aluminum. They will also contend that
the Munitions Board, as well as the RFC
as reorganized, serves private rather than
national interests.

ACTION: The RFC and Munitions
Board, however, caught a Wyoming tartar
when they moved to liquidate the Mono-
lith Portland Cement Company at Lar-
amsie, Wyo. Just as it was about to get
into production, Monolith got a stop
order from the RFC which then proceed-
ed to place its property in the hands of
the Munitions Board for final disposal.

But the monolithic people demon-
strated that they weren't fooling when they
incorporated under that name. They
obtained an injunction from a federal
court prohibiting any removal or sale of
the machinery by or to the Munitions
Board. On the basis of wartime prom-
ises and advances, including documents
from the Bureau of Mines, the War Pro-
duction Board and the scientific organi-
zation which hatched the atom bomb,
they are going to fight an attempt to
scrap their plant.

The trial of this action is set for hear-
ing in the federal court at Los Angeles
on January 2, 1948, and the whole ques-
tion of national defense and alleged mon-
opolies' postwar status may be fought out
there. Meanwhile, the RFC has indi-
cated that it would like to compromise the
litigation in order to avoid a legal
showdown.

In view of these circumstances, Gen-
eral Littlejohn sometimes wishes that he
had accepted that Mellon check for \$33,-
000,000!

THE OLD "PINE" TREE
Hollywood
By EDITH GWYNNE

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 24—Frederic
March, Florence Eldridge and Ed-
mund O'Brien have just about fin-
ished, "Another Part of the Forest"
together, and Universal will keep
this cast intact for another picture.
It's "The Judge's Wife," which has
a highly contro-
versial plot, since
the film will deal
with the subject
of mercy kill-
ing. . . . Some-
one who has had
a peek at "Easter
Parade" reports
that Judy Gar-
land and Fred-
die Astaire do
some rare hoof-
ing together. This
should make
Fred happy—since
he was a little gloomy over his pairing
with Ann Miller in several numbers
because she's taller than he is. . . .
Over at RKO they're now calling
those scenes where they're burning
Ingrid Bergman at the stake for
"Joan of Lorraine," "Ingrid's Bar-
becue" . . . Richard Widmark, the
sadistic killer in "Kiss of Death"
has taken his family to the moun-
tains prior to starting his role as
an even tougher gangster in "Street
With No Name." In this one, Wid-
mark will beat the yoknowhat out
of Barbara Lawrence who begged
for the part. . . . Says Groucho
Marx: "Christmas is the time of the
year when the neighbor's radios
and victrolas keep you awake until
dawn playing 'Silent Night'."

Jo Stafford had to give her-
self two Christmas presents.
The first is a cocker-spaniel
puppy—and the second is a fence
around her house so he can't
run away. . . . Frank Sinatra
arrived here with chills, fever
and a hacking cough but that
didn't keep him from hopping a
plane to do a benefit in Port-
land, Ore., the next night.

Two pictures in a row have worn
Donna Drake down to wearing size 8
clothes! She's off to the desert to
put some meat on her bones. . . .
Barbara Bel Geddes, the N. Y. stage
discovery who was a sensational
click in her first picture, "The Long
Night," hits full stardom in her
next picture at RKO which will be
"Baltimore Escapee." John Crom-
well will direct.

This ice wasn't for a headache—
but it caused one:—in a scene for
"The Walls of Jericho," Linda Dar-
nell orders 50 pounds of ice, but to-
day's ice which is automatically
grooved for cutting, couldn't be used
because the scene was supposed to
take place many years ago. The
property department of the studio
got a Hollywood ice plant to turn out
some ungrooved ice. The cost of
producing the special ice cost five
dollars per pound. In addition, the
studio had to make its own ice axe
for Cornel Wilde to use on it.

Edna Ryan (once engaged to Leo
Durocher) and bandleader Jack
Lunard are shopping for a preacher
to make them one.

Paulette Goddard called to say
good-bye before tearing off to the
East for Christmas with Buzz
Meredith & their snow-laden farm.
She'll get top billing over every-
body in "A Miracle Can Happen"

Tomorrow's Problem
A K 2
Q 7 6
K Q
K J 10 5 4 2
J 10 4 3
7 6 3
2
7 6

What is the way for South to
play for 7-Clubs here after the
heart 3 is led?

— and that includes Jimmy Stew-
art, Dorothy Lamour, Henry Fonda,
Fred MacMurray and Harry James!
Boy! That takes charm! . . . Bob
Topping has given Lana Turner a
pair of diamond clips.

Bridge
By SHEPARD BARCLAY
Only One Reading
THERE are no two ways to read
the situation when your partner
suits your opening lead against a
suit contract, lays down the ace
of another suit and then switches
back to your original suit or else
the third side suit. He obviously
had the singleton ace of the second
suit and wants you to return it
to him if you get the lead, so
he can trump it. The sequence of
events stated is of such frequent
occurrence, and the only logical
reason for it is so clear-cut, that
it may almost be considered a defi-
nite convention of play. Failure
to catch the idea is almost un-
pardonable.

East South West North
1 2 3 4
3 4 5 6
Pass Pass Pass 3 NT
Pass 4

At one table of a duplicate that
contract was beaten just a single
trick, though the defense began
the same as elsewhere. Every West
led the spade 9, the 10 going on
from dummy and the J winning.
Every East then scored the club
A, laid down the spade A and led
the spade 6 for West to ruff, set-
ting the contract. One West then
made the terrible return of his
diamond 2. South won it with
dummy's A, took out the defender's
trumps, finessed the club 9 and so
got the rest of the tricks.

At all other tables, after West
ruffed the third spade, he returned
a club, as called for by East's play
of the singleton A. That resulted
in setting the contract two tricks
when East trumped it.

The defensive players in this
test were not overly strong, or else
someone should have set the con-
tract three tricks. West should
have trumped his partner's spade A
on the third trick, led a second
round club for East to ruff, ruffed
the third round spade and then led
a third round club for another
ruff from East. This play was
buffed to gain a trick if East had
two trumps, and could not lose
even if he had just one.

Ann Nagel
new ermine and mink coat "from a pla-
tonic friend" . . .
Freddie Tapps and Nancy Walker are
a new duet. . . . The big secret romance in
Hollywood — and the best story — stars
actress Audrey Totter and Freddy Heider,
a West Coast writer. It started when he
was a barker at the Chicago World's Fair
and she worked at a small job in the
same show.

Robert Donat of "Goodbye Mr. Chips"
fame is betrothed. The lass is Renee
Asherton, who appears with Sir Lau-
rence Olivier in "Henry V."

Film director Anatole Litvak and
songstress Nan Wynn are closer than
Santa Claus and Christmas.

Irony department: Right next to the
Burlesque column in the current Bill-
board, there is a Yuletide greeting to
Satira, the dancer, jailed in the Cuban
yacht slaying. Sponsored by her "friends
in show business," it reads: "To Satira—
we wish you a Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year and hope you will be
with us soon."

Washington insiders expect Winston
Churchill to experience a great strength-
ening of power in England before next
March. . . . The leading man in one
of Broadway's most enchanting musicals
has been warned to discontinue his ra-
dical activities or leave the cast.

Joan Davis, the comedienne, is carry-
ing a terrific torch, but not for her re-
cently shed husband. The lad in her
heart is a big star.

June Lockhart is the town's most re-
freshing ingenue. She spends her lunch-
on and dinner hours at Sardi's collect-
ing autographs of stage people!

After a long delay, Ann Rutherford
and department store millionaire David
May are ready to sign the settlement
papers. . . . The divorce of the Al Moores
(he's the aluminum tycoon) may make
blistering front page news.

The cinema pendulum really has
swung. There are no less than six anti-
Communist pictures set for production.

Noel Coward, who roused the ire of
Brooklyn with his remarks about the
borough's citizens a few years ago, is back
in the good graces of the Flatbush Faith-
ful. He donated one of his paintings to
the United Hospital Fund for a benefit art
auction in Dodgerville.

Pottstown Sketches
By PHILLIPS

All right, Peter VanDule, now that you're isolated the cold germ how
about helping me shovel some snow?

December 25, 1897
HOLIDAY POULTRY PLENTIFUL—
Fowls for the holiday dinner tables are
plentiful. John F. Myerle, 256 East Third
street, quoted live bird prices as follows:
Turkeys, 13 cents and 14 cents a pound;
ducks and chickens, 11 cents and 12 cents
a pound.

HITCHING POSTS IN DEMAND—
Thirty-one wagons were counted at hitch-
ing posts on High street, between Han-
over and Penn streets, yesterday after-
noon.

KING'S DAUGHTERS AID NEEDY—
The King's Daughters, of Pottstown, are
aiding 100 needy families. They are be-
ing given potatoes, meats, coffee, rice,
bread, etc. Businessmen are aiding.

POSSUM ON CHRISTMAS—Abbie
Eagle will feast on possum on Christmas
day.

25 Years Ago
December 25, 1922
ROTARY CHRISTMAS PARTY—The
Rotary club was host last night to 500
children at the State Armory, King
street. Various gifts were distributed.
The affair was in charge of Oliver E.
Shuler, Herman Seimann and E. D.
Gudebrod.

NUPITAL EVENT—Miss Regina N.
Mayberry, daughter of Francis Mayberry,
Obelisk, was married to Isaac N. Alderfer,
of Limerick, by the Rev. Brendel, of Sum-
neytown.

HOLIDAY WEDDING—Miss Pauline
Uhler, of 534 Willow street, was married
to Paul K. Knipe, of Limerick, at the par-
sonage of the Rev. L. K. Laudenslager,
Schwenkville.

HOSPITALS CELEBRATE—Both
Pottstown hospitals are finely decorated
for the holidays and special dinners are
being served the patients and attaches.

10 Years Ago
December 25, 1937
VETERAN INN KEEPER DIES—Ja-
cob P. Osterletter, 82, who was prop-
rietor of the Limerick hotel for more than
30 years, died suddenly yesterday from a
heart attack at the breakfast table. He
was born in the Rhine section of Ger-
many, and came to America at the age
of 16.

MARRIED 55 YEARS—Mr. and Mrs.
William K. Hartenstein, of 30 East Sec-
ond street, celebrated their 55th wedding
anniversary. They were wed by the Rev.
Daniel K. Kepner, pastor of Emmanuel
Lutheran church.

BOYERTOWN WEDDING—Miss Anna
Shirey, daughter of Edgar Shirey, 337
East Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown, was
married to Peter Pettrille, of Harrisburg.
The ceremony was performed by Dr.
George W. Fritch, of Boyertown.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. Anna Adams, 515 East Philadelphia avenue, is spending the Christmas holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, the Rev. and Mrs. George W. Fitch, Scranton.

The following are home from college for the holidays: Curtis Gabel, State Teachers college, Millersville; Robert Reidenauer, Juniata college, Huntingdon; Phyllis Herliester, Hood College, Frederick, Md.; and Barbara Keely, Cornell university, Ithaca, N. Y.

Boyertown Classified

Deaths
MILLER—In New Hanover, on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1947, William H. Miller, aged 82 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwene Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, Pa., on Saturday at 2 p. m. Interment in Fairview Swamp cemetery. Friends may call Friday evening 7 to 9 p. m. (Schwenk)

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ERB and HENRY
International Harvester
Sales and Service
Genuine Repair Parts
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Store Hours 7 to 9 p. m.
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Boyertown

MRS. LEON R. MEST, Repr. HARRY I. GILBERT, News
Phone 184 Phone 575
Philadelphia Ave. and Washington St.

Lions Club Is Host To 40 Children at Christmas Program

Nearly 50 children of members of the Lions club and their guests attended the civic group's annual Christmas party Tuesday at Boyertown inn.

Edwin J. Esenhart, of the boys and girls committee, was master of ceremonies. Sonny Stettler and Mary Moyer each played several accordion solos and Daniel Unger showed a reel of motion picture films for children, including cartoons and animal features.

Youngest child present was Sherry Ann Eshbach, eleven-month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Eshbach. She was the guest of her grandfather,

Charles G. Trout.

Other children attending were Jesse Rothenberger, Carol Ann Schanely, Clark Schanely, Bruce David Keim, Kathleen Louise Keim, Keith D. Gilbert, Linnette Ott, Gwendolyn Ott, Mary Ann Reinert, Anna Marie Reinert, Kenneth D. Reinert, Clarence, Robert, and Lester Schoenly, Richard H. Frecon, Mary Sue Frecon, Jerome Frecon, Phyllis Brooke, Donald Brooke, Billy Eisenharter, Edward Wood Jimmy Fleming, Dolores Astheimer, Betty Jane Wren, Doris Schanely, Shirley Miller and Craig Landis.

Also Dona M. Landis, Russell Pettyjohn, Warren Pettyjohn, Diane Smith, Margot Abrams, Henry Stettler, Mary Moyer, Marjorie Johnson, Laura Jean Johnson, Mary Ellen Wren, John Robert Wren, Margaret Esenhart, Jackie Kline, Dennis Kline, Ruth Ann Anstadt, Audrey Ann Unger, Billy Schoenly, Bruce Updegrave, Paul Fisher and Sherry Ann Eshbach.

Motion Pictures to Depict Industry Work In Boyertown's Manufacturing Display

Three hours of continuous free motion picture films will be shown twice daily at "The Spotlight Is On Boyertown," manufacturers' show which opens on Saturday and continues Monday and Tuesday in the high school.

The films will be shown in the high school auditorium daily at 3 and 7 p. m. William Claussen of a local photographic store will present "Cavalcade of Color," while A. W. Mercer operator of a sheet metal products plant, will show "Unfinished Rainbows," the story of aluminum. A hosiery mill located on Montgomery avenue will present the highlights of the Reading full-fashioned knitting machine in its production.

Metropolitan Edison company is lending four sound pictures, three of which are in color and the fourth, "Singing Wires," tells the story of life in rural areas and the importance of communication to people there. In the color group are "Reddy-Made Magic," "Dawn of Better Living," and a new film showing the activities of the A-H clubs throughout the country, climaxed with a complete description of the trip which members took to Washington, D. C.

A large national oil company with a service station here will present the film, "Pennsylvania," a 30-minute documentary in sound and color about the Commonwealth. It depicts industry, agriculture, scenery, culture, history, cities, and transportation in the Keystone state. There are sequences of the annual apple butter party in Allentown, scenes of Harrisburg, and views of the battlefield at Gettysburg.

Both interior and exterior of the high school building have already been completely decorated by a professional firm and the spotlight has been turned on the 6x25-foot banner on the front of the school. The show will officially open on Saturday at 2 p. m.

Several manufacturers have already begun to move their displays into the building. Thirty exhibits will depict the industrial might of this community of 4000.

Members of the Lions club, which is sponsoring the show, have been

assigned round-the-clock shifts to guard the show. Rudolf Abrams, 1000 E. Philadelphia, is in charge. Other officers of the exhibit are Murray A. Crull, finance; Earl H. Keim, publicity; and LaMar Smith, chairman of the exhibits and the building.

Eating forks were not used commonly until the 18th Century.

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BOYERTOWN
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CHRISTMAS
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Dressed Daily
Retail and Wholesale
We Pan Dress and Deliver
Stephen's Turkey Farm
1/2 Mile West of Bechtelsville
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No Experience Necessary
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106 NORTH WASHINGTON STREET
BOYERTOWN, PA.

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Extending Season's Greetings to all our friends

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We Extend to All the Merriest of Holiday Cheer

CLIFF'S DINER
and His Personnel

Wishing You a Merry Christmas

Best Wishes for Happiness and Good Fortune

Wishing You a Merry Christmas and Just Heaps of Cheer

SMITH'S RADIO SHOP
ERNEST SMITH, Prop.
35 SOUTH READING AVENUE,
BOYERTOWN

May your Christmas Day and New Year, too, be always as bright and shining as these gleaming, star-dusted candles—that's our wish for you.

BOYERTOWN

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Rainbow Room
Keystone Fire Company
BOYERTOWN, PA.
Presents
GALA HOLIDAY FLOOR SHOW and Dance
Saturday Night, December 27
Dance to Eddie Kay
By a Large Request
THE "HOLLY'S"
(The Man of a Thousand Masks)
and DUDE KIMBALL
(The Musical Plummer)
and MARLOWE
(Gorgeous Red-Haired Fan Dancer)
Continuous Entertainment From 9:30 P. M.
Members Bring Receipts
NEW YEAR'S EVE RESERVATIONS HELD ONLY UNTIL 10:00 P. M. NEW YEAR'S EVE

Best Wishes
May Nothing Be Missing To Give You Delight And Make Christmas Happy From Morning Till Night

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS from BETTY J. CLAUSSEN Boyertown
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BOYER TOWNE INN

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BY
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GRESHVILLE
Dec. 27, 1 p. m.
Turkeys—Ducks—Geese

STATE
Boyertown — Phone 65
MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYBODY
LAST DAY
Our Holiday Treat
THE SCREEN'S SWEETEST SWEETHEARTS ON A HONEY OF A HONEYMOON...
The gay elopement adventure that made Mexico City blush!
SHIRLEY TEMPLE FRANCHOT TONE GUY MADISON
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A WILLIAM KEIGHLEY PICTURE
UNA ROMAY • GENE LOUGHMY CORNELIA MORA • GRANT NICHOL
Produced by WAGNER DUFF • Directed by WILLIAM KEIGHLEY
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ADDED—XMAS CAROLS
2 COLORED CARTOONS
Special Matinee 1:30
First Eve. Show 6 P. M.
STARTS TOMORROW
"TARZAN and the HUNTRESS"
4 Cartoons This Saturday at Matinees

We take this opportunity to thank our friends and customers ... May joy be theirs at all times.

BEN FRANKLIN STORE
BOYERTOWN

Compliments of the Season to All

Greenawald Shoe Store
29 East Philadelphia Avenue Boyertown, Pa.

Season's Greetings
Heartiest Wishes for a Very Merry Christmas ...
WAYLAND G. SCHWENK
"FUNERAL SERVICE"
124 WEST PHILADELPHIA AVE.
BOYERTOWN

The musical bells of Christmas ring out in a toast to you for happiness, health and prosperity this Christmas and during the bright, new year to come.

The RAINBOW ROOM
KEYSTONE FIRE CO.
BOYERTOWN

From YERGER'S GROCERY
234 E. Phila. Ave.
Boyertown

Merry Christmas
Merry Christmas to You and Best Wishes for Happiness and Good Fortune

CLIFF'S DINER
and His Personnel

Wishing You a Christmas of Many Happy Hours

FREY'S ESSO STATION
"Gas and Oil to Suit Every Car"
NEW BERLINVILLE
Phone Boyertown 549-W



Old and Unoriginal as the
Saying May Be, We're
Wishing You a
"MERRY CHRISTMAS"

CARVER'S DAIRY

BOYERTOWN 217-R



D. B. BOYER & CO.

ON THE SQUARE

Wish You a Merry
Christmas and a Happy
New Year



We Wish All Our Employes
Patrons and Everybody
The "MERRIEST" CHRISTMAS
and HOLIDAY SEASON

RUSSELL H. GRIM

111 East Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown
Everything Electrical



May This Christ-
mas Be Your Mer-
riest and Happi-
est Yuletide

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230 East Phila. Ave.
Boyertown



THANK YOU

For Your Patronage

during the past year. It
has been a real pleasure
to serve you. We trust
that your visits to this
place have contributed
to your Christmas joy.

WASHINGTON

HOUSE
Bechtelsville



Season's greetings to all
our friends. May this
Christmas bring you un-
bounded joy — this New
Year, the fulfillment of all
your hopes.

Laverne Herbst

New Berlinville



TO WISH THE HAPPIEST
KIND OF CHRISTMAS
IS THE GREETING

From

IRVIN G. EISENHARD

Machinist — Electric and
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Corner Second and Washington Sts.
BOYERTOWN



Wishing You All the Blessings of This Happy
Christmas Season

WILLIAM REIFSNYDER JR.

"INSURANCE"

7 East Philadelphia Avenue, Boyertown

The Eve of Christmas Comes Again
Its Tapers Shine From Hill and Plain;
And From All Hearts,
In Friendship True,
The Old Warm Greetings Speeds Anew.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

HELEN B. GOTTSALL

—INSURANCE—

26 EAST PHILADELPHIA AVE., BOYERTOWN



We're here again
... to wish you the
best of everything
throughout the
Christmas holiday
and the New Year!

B.F. Goodrich

Store

C. E. WHITE, Manager

100 East Philadelphia Avenue

BOYERTOWN

Phone 347



For every star in the
sky we have a
Christmas wish for
you ... wishes for
happiness, health
and prosperity ever-
lasting.

Linwood Ott

Funeral Director
BOYERTOWN



MUTTER'S PRETZELS

Extends to Their
Many Friends
and Patrons
a
"MERRY
CHRISTMAS"

"MENSCH'S"

Wishes Their
Friends and
Patrons
the Season's
Greetings

MERRY CHRISTMAS

GILBERTSVILLE HOTEL

NEWTON MENSCH, Prop.



GREETINGS

May Every Good Wish
Come True

WARREN W. JOHNSON

38 NORTH READING AVENUE

BOYERTOWN

PHONE 435

BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES
AND GREETINGS FOR A
HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

BOYERTOWN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

50 East Philadelphia Avenue
— BOYERTOWN —

GRIM'S MEAT AND PRODUCE MARKET

Next Door to
Phila. and Reading Ave.

— BOYERTOWN —



Greetings—Good Wishes and
Friendly Remembrances—
Are All in This Christmas Message
to YOU!



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B. MAIMON

Manufacturer's "Union Made" Men's Clothing

29 S. Franklin St.

Boyertown



Bause's "Super" Drug Store
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*It's a Merry Christmas
We Are Wishing You
And Thanking You for Your Patronage*
SCHANELY'S
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Boyertown's Progressive Jeweler
49 East Philadelphia Ave. — BOYERTOWN



*The Season's Greetings
and Best Wishes
for the Coming Year*

Trout's Texaco Station
GILBERTSVILLE, PA.

*May you have good fel-
lowship and cheer as you
go your way, and the
happiest possible Christ-
mas Day!*



SELECT SHOP
26 S. READING AVE.
BOYERTOWN



Wishing You
a good old-fashioned Christ-
mas and the best of every-
thing for the New Year.

**Farmer's National
Bank and Trust Co.**
Boyertown, Pa.

A Message to You
at Christmas
Time

In true appreciation of the pa-
tronage that you have extended
to us in the past year let us ex-
press our wishes to you for a
very

Merry Christmas



CHRISTMAS

**THE GLADDEST SEASON
OF THE YEAR**

OUR greeting to you at this
season is for one of those Old-
Fashioned Happy Christmases
to which we add the hope that
1948 will bring you opportu-
nity to accomplish and enjoy
in no small measure. So again,
"Happy Christmas."

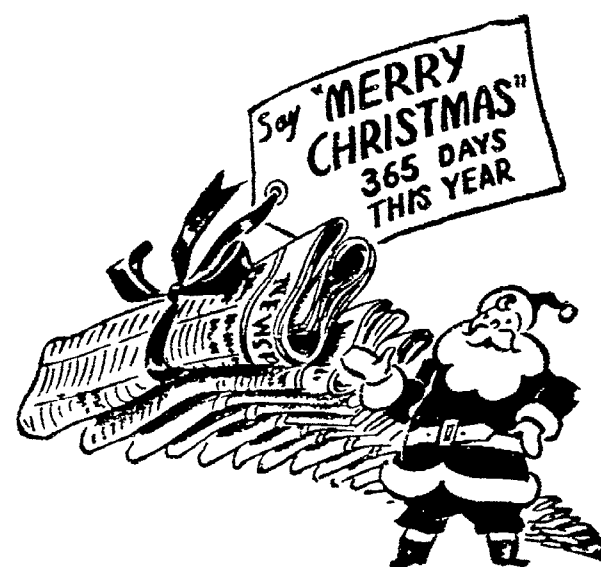


AUGUSTUS D. GRESH
and
RUSSELL CLEMMER
SAY TO YOU on This Christmas Season

This Jolly, Gay Season
Provides a Good Reason
For Wishing You Happiness, Fun
and Good Cheer!
Here's Hoping You'll Fall In
To Fortune and Haul In
Just Grand Things for This Joyful

CHRISTMAS SEASON

BOYERTOWN OIL CO., INC.
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A YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION
*will be a daily reminder of
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To the busy executive, housewife, and school-
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tion to their favorite newspaper will mean
daily repeated greetings from you — laden
with interest and information.

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GREETINGS

May the bells keep
ringing a song of
joy for everybody!

"BOB" BINDER
NEW BERLINVILLE
284-W



Patrons . . .

With Kindest Thoughts
and
Best Wishes for
The New Year
Thank You, Too!

H. F. TYSON & SON
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*Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year*



TROUT'S
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518 E. FOURTH ST., BOYERTOWN



Our greetings go out to you for the merriest Christmas

ever. May yours be a holiday overflowing with happiness

and good cheer. With our Yuletide greetings and

best wishes for a happy New Year go our heart-felt thanks

for your kind patronage of the past — for your

continued patronage in the future.

LEFEVRE'S

May you have good
fellowship and cheer
as you go your way,
and the happiest pos-
sible Christmas Day!



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Third & Hanover Sts.

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In Upon You!

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High and
Keim Sts.

Merry Christmas



Expressing Our
Yuletide Greetings
To
Friends and Customers

THE BOYS' LINOLEUM STORE

429 HIGH ST.



Merry,

Christmas...

Happy New Year...

Customers and Friends

Pottstown Cement Block Co.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

The joys of this season
are many — and may
you enjoy them all!

And after the last
carol has been sung, we
add our sincere wishes
for a jolly year to
follow.

LAUREL LOCKS
Farm Restaurant



A REFLECTION OF CHRISTMAS CHEER

The jolly smile on Santa's
face, the twinkle in his eye,
the goodness in his mellow voice
reflect the good wishes in our hearts for a
joyous Yuletide for each and every one of our friends.

G. E. CLOUSE

West High Street



Greetings

May the Good Cheer
and Peace of Christ-
mas be with you on
this day and always.

TEXAS HOT WEINER SHOP

154 High St.



Friends-Customers
MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

NOTTLE AUTO PARTS
416 CHESTNUT STREET



Yes! We can feel the pulse of the whole town ... as
we operate our business each day. We know couples
who are marriage-bound, newlyweds setting up house-
keeping ... students cramming for exams ... proud
grandpops and grandmas, the brand new dads and moms
... even the fellow who wants to write poems someday
... That's why we're taking time off from the routine
of service to tell you we're at home in saying, "Merry
Christmas to you, one and all!"

PEOPLES MARKET

267 HIGH STREET

Christmas Greetings

We bring to you the
warmest of wishes for
Christmas

... a greeting full of
good cheer for the
entire New Year.



JOHN ZANGRILLI
Electrician

55 HIGH STREET



FROM THE BOTTOM
of Our Hearts
We Wish You and Yours
A
MERRY CHRISTMAS

For every star in the sky we
have a Christmas wish for
you ... wishes for happiness,
health and prosperity ever-
lasting.



SUNNY SLOPE DAIRIES

Spring City—Pottstown

BEST WISHES

The doorway to hospitality opens cheerfully to admit the spirit of Christmas! We welcome all our friends to partake of the many joyous greetings we extend on this happy occasion.

Zangrilli and Tufani
55 High Street

Greetings we extend on Christmas Day and may Yuletide lights burn brightly in the All-American way!



THRIFT CONSUMER DISCOUNT CO.
POTTSTOWN THRIFT CORP.
15 N. HANOVER ST.

Season's Greetings

As the Christmas season unfolds its splendor, we send to all our patrons and friends many good wishes that this Christmas be the merriest of all time!

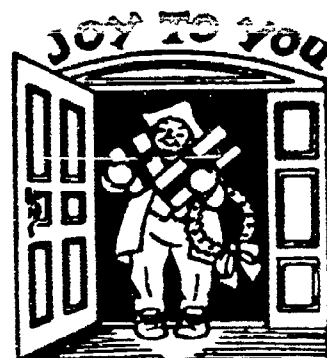
ROY BINDER AGENCY

311 High Street

And Before
the Babe
in the Manger . . .

they worshipped as we do almost two thousand years later. They knelt at His cradle as today we worship at His altar. Let us pay reverence to the King of Peace.

JOHN W. SNYDER
27 N. Hanover St.



Here's to Your Merry
Christmas
and May It Be Such
a Gay One,

You'll Never Forget It!

FENSTERMACHER'S
Oak and Charlotte Sts.



A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

In Grateful Appreciation to
Our Friends and Patrons

H. KAPPES

Manufacturer of Furniture of Distinction
4th at State Street

"Merry Xmas"
and a
"Joyous
New Year"

We appreciate greatly the
patronage given us
during the past year

Leonard
Levengood
STOWE



SEASON'S
Greetings

May good cheer and
contentment be yours
on this joyous holiday

Pottstown Lodge, No. 814
BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS



Merry Christmas

These simple words
convey a meaning no
other words fulfill.

They express for the New York
Store Family every good wish
for your enjoyment of
this yuletide holiday.

Please accept our thanks to all who gave us the opportunity to be of
service in the selection of gifts for Yuletide Cheer.
Every good wish for a Happy and Prosperous New Year, too!

The NEW YORK Store
WHERE POTTSTOWN SHOPS WITH CONFIDENCE

Store Open Tomorrow Night Until 9 — Saturday Until 6



THE
SEASON'S
GREETINGS
and
THANK YOU

For Pleasant Business
Relations During
the Past Year

A. B. SIESHOLTZ
COAL
116 S. Hanover St.



Merry Christmas

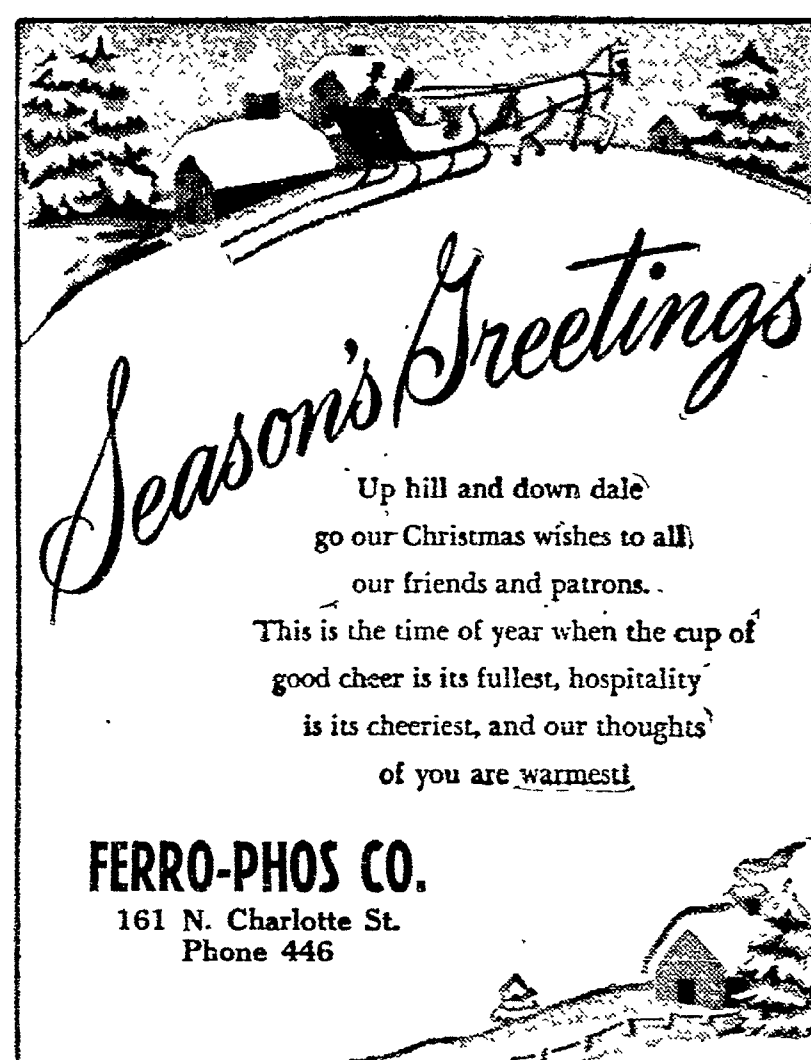
One fondest wish is that
the laurels of happiness
and peace . . . wreath
your home this Christmas!

Wm. McElroy
Florist
21 Reynolds Ave.



Let this Christmas be a
design for living. Best
wishes and cheer.

WILLIAM E. BOALTON
Plumbing and Heating
EVANS AND
CHESTNUT STS.



Season's Greetings

Up hill and down dale
go our Christmas wishes to all
our friends and patrons.
This is the time of year when the cup of
good cheer is its fullest, hospitality
is its cheeriest, and our thoughts
of you are warmest!

FERRO-PHOS CO.
161 N. Charlotte St.
Phone 446



Our entire personnel join in wishing you
a very Merry Christmas and bountiful Good
Cheer in all the days to come.

J. B. MARCH, Inc.
26 HIGH STREET

Merry Christmas

To My Customers and Friends

Christmas Cheer



We're bubbling over with good wishes for a joyous Yuletide season for you and yours at home and abroad.

CHARLES A. LAMBOUR

10 S. Hanover St.



STAR-BRIGHT ARE OUR WISHES
FOR YOU and YOURS
This Glorious Yuletide Season

J. R. SOTTER

INSURANCE

Security Trust Building



THE MEMBERS OF OUR FIRM

Join in wishing to you and yours cordial Christmas Greetings. May the New Year bring you health, happiness and prosperity!

SUNSHINE FEED STORE

LAUREL and FRANKLIN STS.

WE WANT YOU TO KNOW



that we appreciate the business you have given us and shall strive earnestly to merit its continuance in the New Year to come.

CHARLES TORNABENE

UNRUH'S FISH MARKET

Closed All Day Christmas



Merry Christmas to All!

It's Christmas Eve. Everything lies in wait for the Big Day... the stockings ready for the filling... a tree adorned with multicolored balls prepared for the laughter and joyous voices of all who search 'neath it on the morrow for splendid gifts... warm, roomy chairs awaiting visitors to share Yuletide with the family... On this night before Christmas, we wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

LEVITZ FURNITURE CO.

212 HIGH STREET



A JOLLY CHRISTMAS — May we flash this message of good cheer—"A Jolly Christmas and A Happy New Year?"

BECHTEL'S ICE CREAM

PATRONS—FRIENDS

**MERRY XMAS
TO YOU**

**Pottstown China
and Glass Store**

155 HIGH ST.



**Cheerio ...
It's Christmas!**

Here's hoping that you may Find joys enough to make it a truly "Perfect Day!"

**SOUTH & ROWLAND STS.
CAFE**

Closed All Day Christmas



To Our
**CUSTOMERS
and FRIENDS**

**J. Q. FLICKINGER
and SONS**

Garage Stowe



**In This Merry
Season**

There's a little wish we would like to add: May this be the Happiest Christmas you ever had.

Rose Millinery

8 N. Hanover St.



Joy to the World

the Lord has come. May earth receive her King. The most beautiful story ever told is that of our Lord. Bring your children to church with you to hear retold the Miracle of Christmas.

**GREEN
HILL
CAMP**

On Route 29 Between
Green Lane and Red Hill

Mrs. Estella Filby
Owner



Jollity, good fun, good health, and good things be yours, we hope, this Christmas.

**STRAND
MEN'S SHOP**

305 High St.



Thanks for your understanding when we just didn't have what you wanted. It is with real feeling that we wish you a Merry Christmas!

**Roth's Family
Shoe Store**

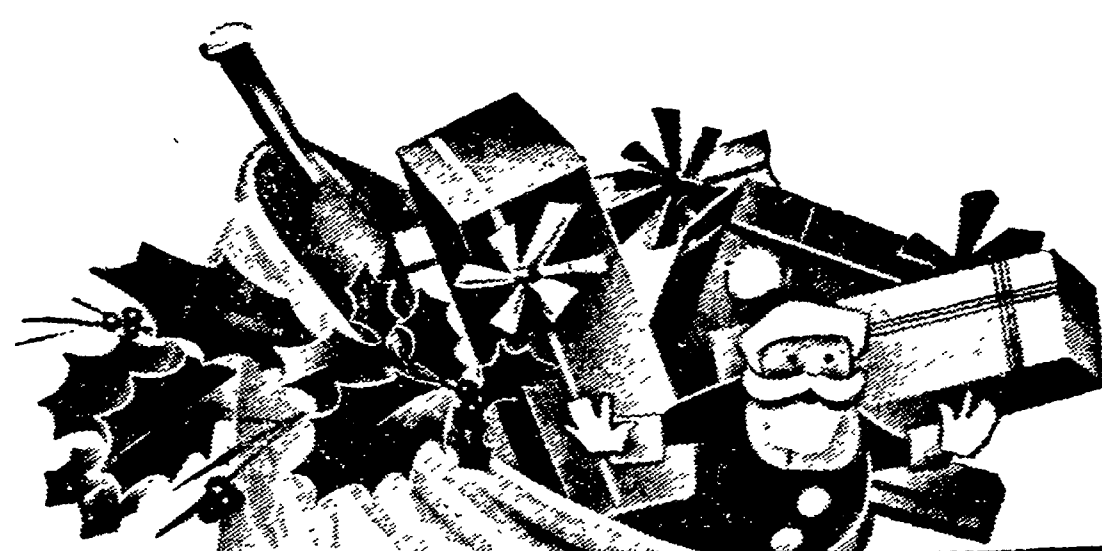
322 High St.



Best wishes for a joyous Christmas, a bright and prosperous New Year.

POTTSTOWN ROLLER MILLS

South and Hanover Sts.



Christmas is Friendship Time

...time for us to turn our daily routines . . . and join good, old St. Nick . . . in wishing a Merry Holiday to all the friends and patrons we've had the privilege of serving.

BECHTEL'S SPORT SHOP

MUSH BECHTEL, PROP. . . . OVER 30 YEARS
"The Sportsman's True Friend"

157 High Street

Phone 1436



and the happiest

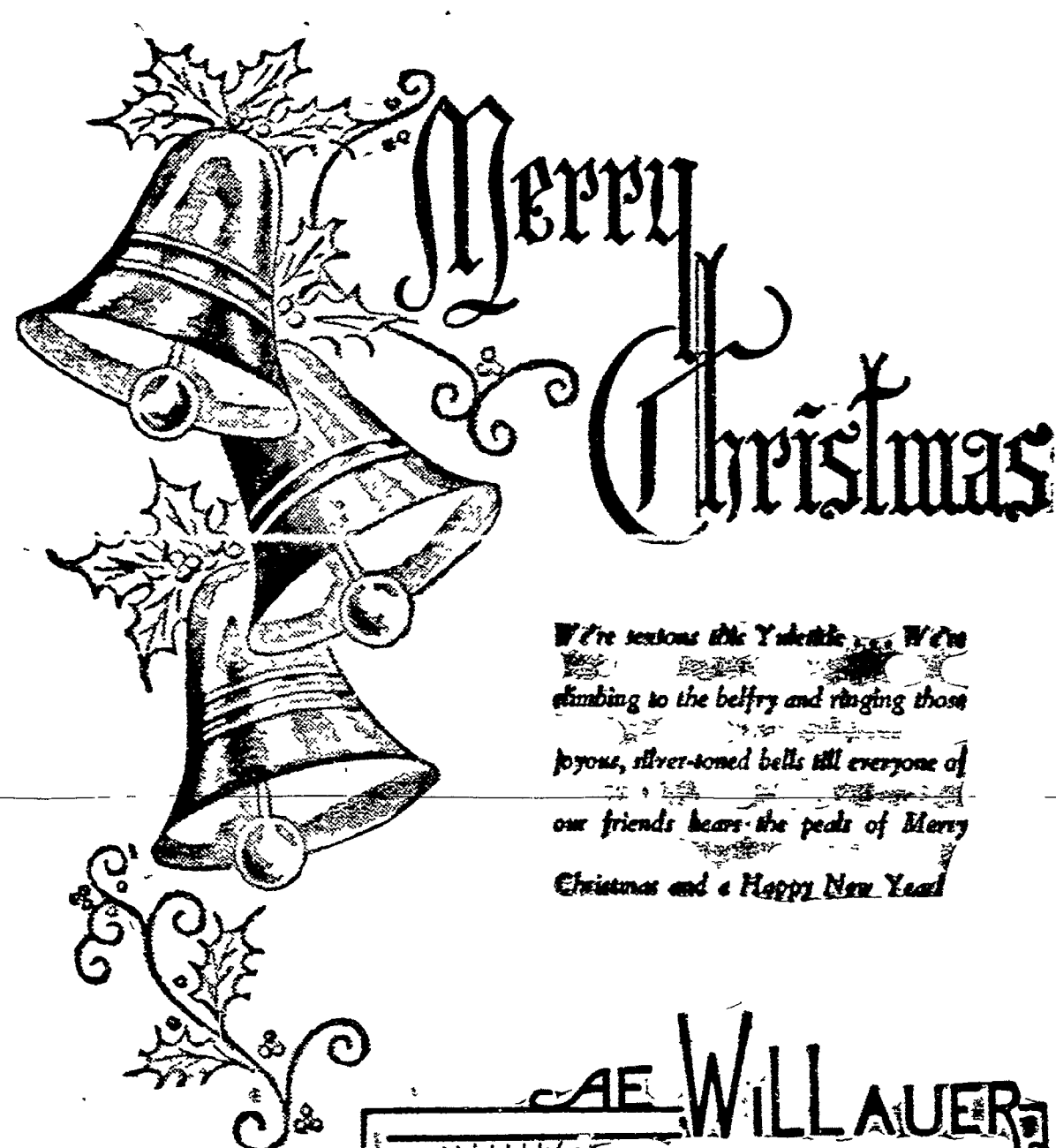
New Year is our wish

to all our many

friends.

W. T. GRANT CO.

226-28 High St.



We're serious this Yuletide . . . We're climbing to the belfry and ringing those joyous, silver-toned bells till everyone of our friends hears the peals of Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

AE WILLAUER

Diamond Merchant

and Jeweler

217 HIGH STREET



in this bank joins

in wishing you a

Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

THE
NATIONAL IRON BANK

OF POTTSTOWN

Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

MERRY
CHRISTMAS

To our many friends, we extend our wishes for a Yuletide filled with all the good things in life—good health, happiness, peace and prosperity.

HOFFMAN'S
LADIES' APPAREL



Wishing you all
THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS
and every happiness for
THE NEW YEAR

ART'S DINER

West High Street



A TOAST TO CHRISTMAS

...and to our friends. May
Christmas be a long day
and a Merry one!

ELLIS DRUG STORE

Charlotte and Walnut Sts.

Christmas Cheer



May you ride the crest of
Christmas cheer in good
health. A best Christmas
to you.

ELSIE'S BEAUTY SHOPPE

343 High St., 2nd Floor Front



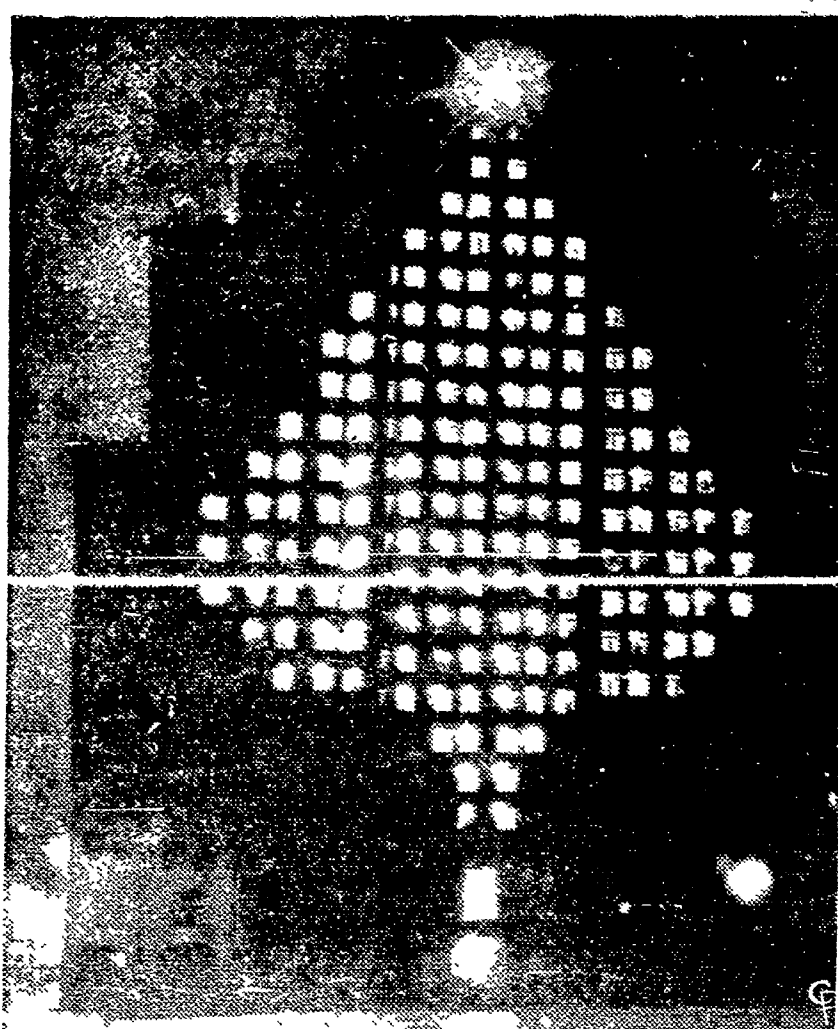
POTTSTOWN FINANCE COMPANY
POTTSTOWN SMALL LOAN CO.

and the

TYSON INSURANCE AGENCY

((Second Floor)) 213 HIGH ST.

'World's Largest Xmas Tree'



This lighting arrangement on the west side of a 22-story building in St. Louis, Mo., is said to be "the world's largest Christmas tree." The display will continue during the holiday season.

Authorities Hope to Help All Needy Families

If there are any needy families in Spring City who might lack necessities for a Merry Christmas, authorities want to know about it. The Rev. Charles P. Salkeld, Methodist pastor, and Police Chief John Hanebury conducted a survey for this purpose, but failed to find any. Persons who might have been missed have been asked to notify either the Rev. Salkeld or Chief Hanebury.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The Floyd - Wells company, Royersford, spread Christmas cheer in a substantial way on Tuesday. Each of the 300 and more employees received a turkey and a basket filled with goodies, including vegetables, fruits and a fruit cake.

The language of Egypt under the Ptolemies is still used by Coptic priests in parts of their ritual.

Twin Boro Classified

Card of Thanks 2

STEINMETZ

The family of the late Josiah K. Steinmetz desires to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance and sympathy, floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

In Memoriam

BUCKINGHAM - Lillie Buckingham, who passed away Dec. 25, five years ago today. Gone a wonderful Mother. Sadly missed by Sons, Francis, Horace and Daughter-in-Law.

We Can Do It

Painting and Paperhanging estimates given. E. Roy Keen, 359 Bridge street, Spring City. Phone 758.

G. T. McKissic & Son, 346 Main St., Royersford. Phone 35. General Electric. Appliance service and repairs. Wringer rolls for all washing machines, all kinds of elec. work done.

Articles for Sale

Girl's Bike, 26", Child's Ice Skates, Size 11. Phone Royersford 558-R. E flat also saxophone, Beuscher make, silver, ex. condition, \$80. 10 4th Ave., Royersford. Phone 470.

Coal and Wood

COLLIERY COAL SERVICE Robert Tyson, Graterford, Pa. Phone Collegeville 8108

Wanted to Buy

Furniture, Carpets and Stoves bought, sold and exchanged. J. Siegel Sons Ph. Phoenixville 3535 126 Bridge St

Cheer Is Provided For County Home

A Merry Christmas has been provided for the 191 guests of Montgomery County Institution District home, Black Rock, near Royersford. In addition to a bountiful holiday dinner arranged for today, the county home guests have been provided entertainment, and received gifts during the past several days from various groups and organizations. Among the organizations which have provided entertainment or gifts was the Friendship Fire company, Royersford.

The menu for Christmas dinner today will consist of the following: tomato juice, roast turkey, giblet gravy, bread and celery filling, mashed potatoes, wax beans, cranberry sauce, cole slaw, bread and butter, coffee, sugar and cream and mince pie.

DEATHS - FUNERALS

Funeral services for JOSIAH K. STEINMETZ, 348 WASHINGTON STREET, ROYERSFORD, were conducted in a funeral home at 600 Washington street yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock by the Rev. Franklin P. Watts, pastor of Royersford First Evangelical and Reformed church. Interment was made in Fernwood cemetery. Bearers were Earl Heffline, Abram Isett, Clayton and Elmer Tyson, Donald Maier and Russell Linderman.

Colds
The best known home remedy you can use to relieve miseries is
VICKS VAPORUB

JACOBS FURNITURE CO.
336-38 Main Street, Royersford, Pa.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
To All Our Customers and Friends
SAVAGE RADIO SERVICE
306 Main Street Royersford

Royersford - Spring City

HARLEY B. BRANDRETH, Rep.

Phone 158 Third Avenue and Main Street, Royersford

Spring City Couple Feted by 5 Generations Of Family on 65th Wedding Anniversary

Christmas eve marked the 65th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Pogue, 109 Hall street, Spring City, believed to be the oldest married couple in this area.

For the first time, incidentally, they also head five generations in one family, the couple now having two great-great-granddaughters.

Children to Mr. and Mrs. Pogue, their six children and grandchildren and families arranged a Christmas eve surprise, which took place last night in Tall Cedars temple, in the form of a covered dish supper.

Also honored at this affair were Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Shenafeld, who observed their first wedding anniversary.

Alvin Shenafeld is a grandson of the Pogues.

Then, too, Mr. and Mrs. William Bunn, Royersford, observed their 14th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Bunn is a granddaughter.

Upwards of 75 family members attended the event, which was held amid Christmas decorations, the center of which was a Christmas tree trimmed with five-dollar bills, one from each of the children and grandchildren. These bank notes went to Mr. and Mrs. Pogue Sr., as a Christmas gift.

To list the five generations, there are Mr. and Mrs. Pogue, their daughter, Mrs. John Gillespie Sr.; the latter's son, John Gillespie Jr., and his daughter, Mrs. Russell Dreibelis, Walnut street, Spring City, comprising four.

The fifth generation in two ways includes: Lloyd Francis Dreibelis, who was born the past Aug. 11, and Sandra Sims, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Sims, Walnut street, Spring City, who was born about a month later. Mrs. Sims is a great-granddaughter of the Pogues. Mrs. Russell Dreibelis, also a great-granddaughter, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pogue, residents of Spring City the past 30 years, were united in marriage Dec. 24, 1882, at 10 p. m., at Mt. Alto.

Mr. Pogue, now 87, was born at Mt. Alto. Mrs. Pogue, 81, the former Annabelle Miner, was born in Michigan. They met at Mt. Alto, where Mr. Pogue was employed at a forge.

They later resided at Parkersburg, Chester county, where Mr. Pogue became superintendent of Parkersburg Iron company. When this concern purchased the old, former Bloom works in Spring City, Mr. and Mrs. Pogue moved here to superintend the local plant, which was abandoned after having been in operation about ten years.

Mr. and Mrs. Pogue's six children are: Jesse W. Lancaster; Mrs. Grace Gillespie, Spring City; James M. Katie Ruth McClellan and Mrs. Martha Shenafeld, Spring City; and Mrs. Merle Weinberg, Audubon Village, N. J.

They also have living 18 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and the two great-great-granddaughters.

CRASH-VICTIM IMPROVES

The condition of Henry G. Troxel, 527 Main street, Royersford, who was seriously injured in a motor crash Tuesday, Dec. 16, was reported much improved yesterday in Pottstown Memorial hospital.

ASK YOUR GROCER FOR
Life Guard
GRAPEFRUIT JUICE
Tree-ripened - 100% Juice
Free of sugar - 100% Juice
Grapefruit Juice
W. J. HOWEY COMPANY
Pottstown, Pa.

SEASONS GREETINGS
On this most joyous occasion we want to pause for just a moment to wish you holiday cheer.
DAVID B. BLAIR
Taxidermist - Furrier
Rahn's Hill
Phone 1302

BAD SKIN - PIMPLES

Here's a new way to help rid yourself of torturous itching pimples, eczema, rashes, scabies, acne blotches and blemishes of external nature. Your money back if pure MEDREX OINTMENT fails to give you quick cooling relief from itching. MEDREX OINTMENT is a blended scientifically from eight tested ingredients to help you. Be sure and get a jar of genuine fresh colored greaseless MEDREX OINTMENT today.

49c A JAR AT ALL SUN RAY DRUG STORES

He Will Pay the Best Prices for Your Junk
Get In Touch With
HENRY POLLOCK
Temporary Location - Queen St. between Bailey and Adams Sts.
Due to Fire, Please Phone 2004

GREETINGS
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
And a HAPPY NEW YEAR
To All Our Customers and Friends
COFFEE SHOPPE
210 Main Street, Royersford
Catherine Saylor

Merry Christmas
THE SEASON'S GREETINGS TO ALL
HARVEY F. TRUNK
305 Main St., Royersford

LATSHAW'S BAKERY
JOINS IN WISHING ALL A HAPPY HOLIDAY

Spring City Man Weds Phoenixville Girl

Announcement was made yesterday of the marriage the past Saturday of John Youngblud, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Paul Youngblud, Arch street, Spring City, and Miss Grace M. Reber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome W. Reber, 372 Bridge street, Phoenixville. The ceremony took place in Elkton, Md.

The couple is residing at the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Hannah Reber, Phoenixville, where a reception was held after the nuptials.

The bride, a graduate of Phoenixville high school and Pottstown Business college, is employed in the Philadelphia. Mr. Youngblud attended Spring City high school and Staunton Military college, Staunton, Va., and served as a Navy radio operator for 30 months in the Pacific during the war. He is now attending Temple university.

NEW EDITOR NAMED

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP) - Publisher Lee Ellmaker today appointed Dean R. McCollough as editor of the Philadelphia Daily news effective Jan. 1.

GREETINGS

For a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Globe Shoe Repair Service
Louis DiNicola
217 Main St., Royersford

CHERIO!
The warmth of good fellowship and good things to you for Christmas.
GREAVES GULF SERVICE STATION
Lewis Road and Main St. ROYERSFORD

DAVID B. BLAIR
Taxidermist - Furrier
Rahn's Hill
Phone 1302

SWENSON'S GARAGE
In appreciation of your valued patronage we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy Prosperous New Year.

GREETINGS
to all our patrons and friends and any strangers that may be within our gates at Christmas time.
HEDRICK'S ATLANTIC SERVICE STATION
Main Street and Lewis Road ROYERSFORD

Jeff Says, "A Merry Christmas"
The Season's Greetings to All Our Customers and Friends.

BANKER'S BAR
Main Street Royersford

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS
FRANK BAUER & SON
Second Avenue - Royersford

Joy and Happiness On This Christmas Day
Is Our Sincere Wish to All
HILL TOP GARAGE
John D. Wood, Prop.

Gunmen Get \$9000 In Toronto Bank Holdup

TORONTO, Dec. 24 (AP) - Three masked gunmen held up a branch of the Dominion Bank of Canada in northwest Toronto today. They herded four employees and two customers into the cellar, bound them and escaped with an amount estimated by bank officials at between \$8000 and \$9000.

Evictions Postponed During Yule Period

HARRISBURG, Dec. 24 (AP) - Sheriff B. A. Wells published glad tidings today for at least a dozen families. He postponed their scheduled evictions until after Christmas.

DUFF APPOINTS JUDGE

HARRISBURG, Dec. 24 (AP) - Dwight M. Anderson, Donora attorney, was appointed by Gov. James H. Duff today as Orphans' court judge for Washington county.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

West Pharmacy
Pure Fresh Drugs
Royersford

GREETINGS
A Merry Christmas To our Patrons and Friends
HENRY'S Beauty Shoppe
237 BRIDGE STREET
Spring City Phone 925-J

Greetings
Thanks to our customers for their valued patronage - and we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
Hartenstine's Mobile Service Station
HARLAN CLARK, Manager
634 Main St., Royersford

CHRISTMAS
Wishing You A Very Merry Christmas
EVERETT STUBBLEBINE
35 N. Main St. Spring City

ARLENE BEAUTY SALON
Under Supervision of Peggy Stauffer
19 S. 7th Ave., Royersford, Pa.

The Season's Greetings

Joy and Happiness to All With a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Is the Wish of

B. I. LATSHAW SONS



Our most cheery Christmas wishes to you and your friends for the best Christmas ever!

HORNING CHEVROLET
MAIN STREET and LEWIS ROAD
ROYERSFORD

Mowrey-Latshaw Hardware Co.
Plumbing, Heating and Roofing
SPRING CITY

Merry Christmas
ROYERSFORD NEEDLEWORKS, INC.

Merry Christmas
A MOST JOYOUS AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON FOR YOU
FRANKIE'S RECREATION CENTER
Frank Golie, Prop.
213 Main Street Royersford

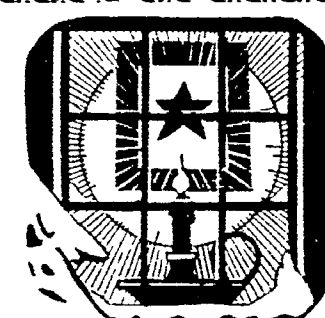
TWIN-BOROUGH MERCHANTS EXTEND GREETINGS TO THEIR FRIENDS

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Season's Greetings To All Our
Customers and Friends

JEFF'S RESTAURANT

253 Main Street
Royersford



Greetings

**A MERRY
CHRISTMAS
MAJOR'S DAIRY**

We Say to You

A Merry Christmas and a Happy
New Year With Fond Greetings for
Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

SPRING CITY COAL CO.

Main and Chestnut St. — Spring City

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

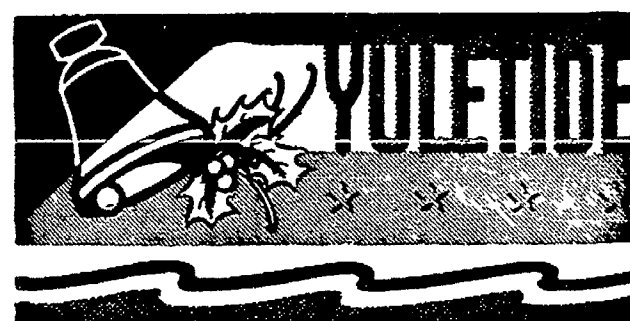
Our Best Wishes for A Merry
Christmas and Then ...
A Happy New Year

LATSHAW LUMBER CO.,

5th Ave. and Chestnut Street, Royersford.

GREETINGS

Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year

NELSON'S DAIRIES**JOYOUS CHRISTMAS**

The Season's Greetings for a
Happy Holiday Season to All Our
Customers and Friends

GERGES MOTOR SERVICE

Third Avenue and Green Street, Royersford

A Merry Christmas

The Good Old American Greeting in the
Good Old Yankee Way. Good Health ...
Good Cheer ... Good Luck and Happiness
throughout the coming Year.

OTTO H. MOYER

We Wish It Were Possible
to Shake You All by the
Hand and Express Our
Wishes for

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

LINDERMAN MOTORS

MERRY CHRISTMAS
to All Our Depositors, Customers
and Friends

**NATIONAL BANK and TRUST CO.
OF SPRING CITY**

Yuletide Greetings!

May this Merry Christmas Season
bring you joy and happiness, and
then a Happy New Year

W. D. GEISER

Washington St. at 6th Avenue Royersford

**A Friendly**

**Greeting to You and a Sincere
Thanks for Your Patronage**

We look forward to greater friendships

SHETLER FURNITURE CO.

Spring City, Pa.



**THE BELLS RING
OUT CHRISTMAS
IN AMERICA**

Schuylkill Valley Mills, Inc.

GREETINGS

May Your Christmas Be a Merry
One and the Coming Year
a Prosperous One

**TYSON MOTOR CO.**

ROYERSFORD

**CHRISTMAS
GREETINGS**

From

**Walnut Street
Garage**

Frank E. Bartzner

Don't Forget State Auto

Inspection Last Day.

January 31

GREETINGS**W. & D. Markel**

47 N. Main Street
Spring City

Joins in Wishing
a Happy Holiday
Season to All.

Compliments
Of The
Season

Merry Christmas!
and
**A Happy
New Year
To All**

K. & W. Grocery
Main & Walnut Sts.
Spring City

**Holiday
Greetings**

The Compliments
of the season and a
Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year to
all our customers and
friends.

**TOWN HALL
Dry Goods Store**

L. Drumbeller, Prop.



Christmas Greetings to our
hundreds of customers and
neighbors. Much Cheer.

**WESTERN AUTO
ASSOCIATE STORE**

Main and New Streets
SPRING CITY, PA.
M. Wilmer Beard, Prop.

**Merry
Christmas!**

It is not riches or expen-
sive gifts alone that make
a Christmas merry ... but
the added simple, fami-
liar wishes of neighbors
and friends. So it is that
again we raise our voices
in the homey, old greeting.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
To Each and Everyone!**

THE JEANETTE SHOP

223 Main Street
Royersford



A joyful Yuletide to all
of you — and may you
know an extra measure
of cheer in a future,
peaceful year.

Hixson Hosiery Mill

330 Bridge Street

Phone 476

SPRING CITY

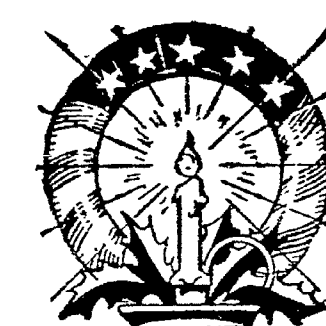
Christmas Greetings**ROYERSFORD HARDWARE CO.**

324 MAIN STREET

MERRIE-MERRIE**CHRISTMAS**

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

NELSON FUNERAL HOME, INC.



Wishing You
All the
Joys and Blessings
of This Holy
Christmas Season

**DIAMOND
GLASS CO.**

OUR CHRISTMAS WISH



Yours for a thrill-packed Christmas of joy and cheer that you'll never forget.

CHARLES E. MELLON
25 KING ST.

CORDIAL GREETINGS



To your health — and good cheer for this Christmas season.

DR. C. O. CLEMENTS
HANOVER and WALNUT STS.

The Spirit of Christmas



As beautiful as the spirit of Christmas is our earnest wish for your days ahead.

BORG-O-LECTRIC WELDING

20 North Manatawny St.

In the spirit of the season, our good wishes for your Christmas merriment come on wings of good fellowship! Have a wonderful holiday, with those you love.



SUE and JACK CEHLAR
OLD READING
PIKE CAFE



We offer you the full Yuletide's seasons greetings, in all sincerity.

SPEEDWAY OIL CO.
W. HIGH ST.
Ralph F. Schlichter, Prop.



WE GREET YOU with all good wishes for a glorious holiday season.

NESTER'S NURSERY
283 WILSON ST.



May Christmas hope and cheer fill each heart now — and throughout the coming year!

SCHEFFEY and YEAGLE
115 N. Washington St.

HAPPINESS FOR YOU

Accept our sincerest Cheerful Yuletide wishes with the hope that your happiness is multiplied.



GREEN'S PHARMACY
866 High St.

NEW SUCCESS! NEW JOYS!
FOR THE YEARS TO COME!

We pray that Christmas will bring you new successes, new friendships, new joys for the New Year.

RELIABLE HAT CLEANING
313 HIGH STREET

OUR XMAS WISHES



In any language — Christmas greetings are heartfelt and sincere. Today we say to you, when you gather round the festive board, remember that we wish you the best of everything.

LESTER R. DAUB
114 South Hanover St.



Greetings OF THE Season
We wish you everything good at Christmas time and through the year to follow. Make every minute ring with fun and contentment — enjoy every day in holiday spirit!

SAVE MONEY ON 100,000 ITEMS IN SEARS CATALOG. USE OUR CATALOG ORDER SERVICE.
SEARS, ROEBUCK AND CO.

232 High Street, Pottstown

HAPPY NEW YEAR, TOO!
SNYDER'S HARDWARE

443 High Street

Wishing You
Christmas Happiness

Business is not always Business. In dealing with you it has been a pleasure. We hope this pleasure has been mutual and extend our hearty greetings for every happiness.

CHARLES E. JACOBS
52 S. HANOVER ST.

Christmas Greetings

To one and all—we wish the joys of the Christmas Season. Good cheer, good health and much happiness.

A. JACKSON ECKER
144 King Street



To All the People of Pottstown
I Extend My Heartfelt Greetings For a

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

A. H. BEWLEY
Sporting Goods
121 HIGH ST.

Peace on Earth

Christmas is more than a day or a season. It's spirit lasts forever with an ever deeper, stronger faith in "Peace — Good Will — To all Men."

...
Merry Christmas to one and all.

HIGHLAND MEMORIAL PARK



We Wish You Happiness and Joy

in the same abundance as our many parts

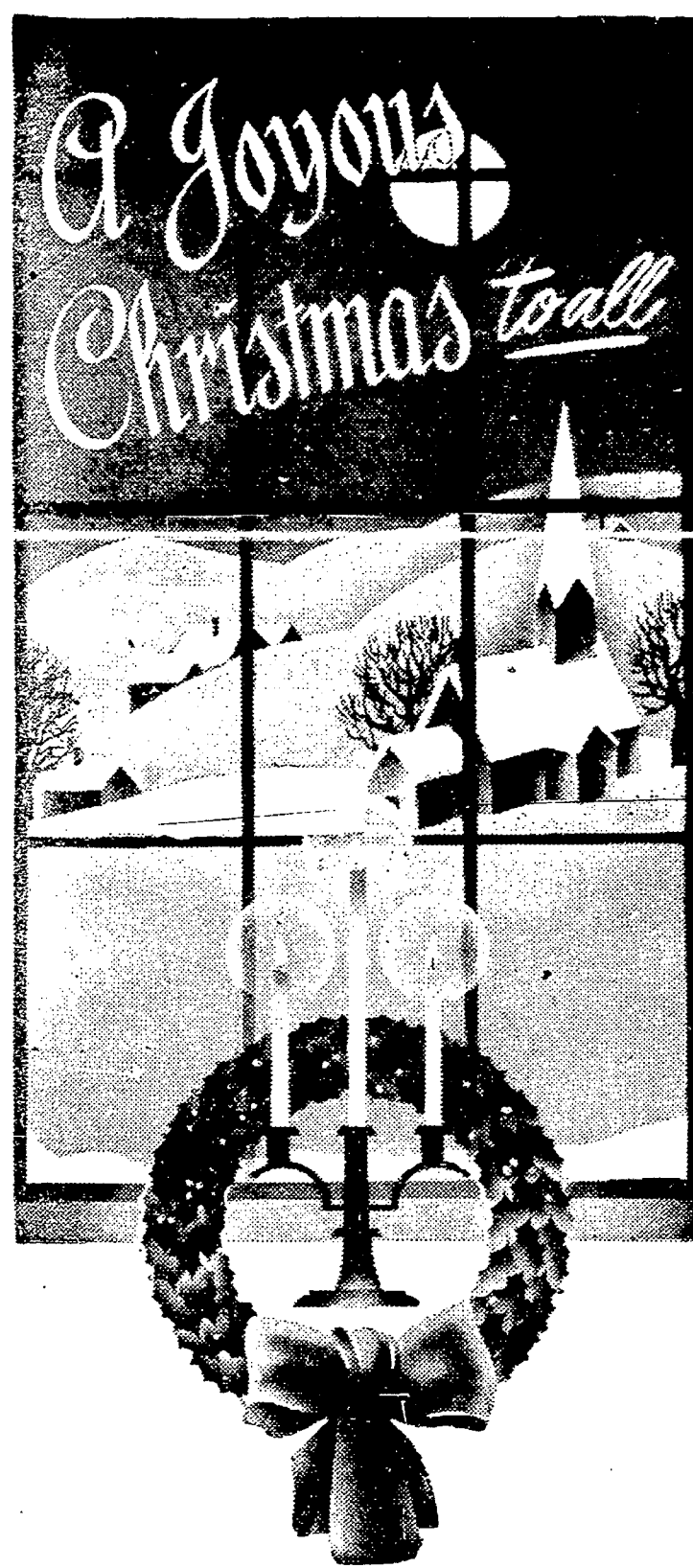
AUTO PARTS CO.

146 King St.
Phone 2690

Merry Christmas

For a memorable holiday ... surround your hearthside with friends and family ... greeting them with well-selected gifts to display your true hospitality!

Bentz
HAROLD R. BENTZ
DRUG STORE
100 N. HANOVER ST. POTTSTOWN, PA. 600



May every moment of this joyous holiday season sparkle with gaiety and happiness for you and yours. For your kind patronage of the past may we extend our appreciation and express our desire to continue to serve you faithfully in the future.

S. PAUL SEEDERS

Beverage Distributor

264 King Street Pottstown



Just a simple note for our heartfelt wish to you for a happy Christmas

SHANER'S DRY GOODS STORE
HIGH and PENN STS.

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS



All Is Well All Is Bright

And from our hearts we wish you a Merry Xmas and Joy and Good Will in everything you do. We are deeply grateful for the attention you have given us all during the past year.

J. TRINLEY & SONS

Linfield Limerick



Compliments of the Season

HEALTH and HAPPINESS
OUR
WISH TO YOU

HARRY'S PLACE

SANATOGA

Season's Greetings

So long as we love, we serve; so long as we are loved by others, we would almost say that we are indispensable; and no man is useless while he has a friend.



R. F. SMALE and CO.

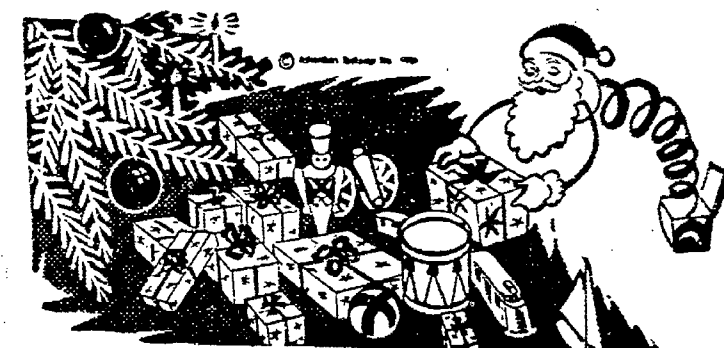
140 KING ST.

Season's Greetings

Christmas is the time we remember our old friends and look forward to new friends. So our good wishes ring out for all... "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" no words are richer in good cheer.

B. F. GOODRICH

130 High Street
Pottstown



Greetings to You

We Want to Extend

A Merry Christmas
To All Our Customers and Friends

S. AND R. FOOD STORES

(FORMERLY ESTREICHER'S)
624 Walnut Street



Let This Christmas
Be a Design for Living
BEST WISHES
and CHEER

POTATO MARKET

382 High St.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES

SHULER HOUSE HOTEL
and MARINE BAR

Greetings To All



We've thought of a way to include in our Christmas greetings to you all the gratitude we feel, the best way we can say it is Merry Christmas.

POTTSTOWN CAFE

High and Washington Sts.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

To our hundreds of customers, friends and well-wishers—a Merry Christmas.



MILLER'S GROCERY

KENILWORTH

PHONE 2524



Merry Christmas

To the
Best Folks
on Earth

THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

"The Bank of Service"
POTTSTOWN, PA.

Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Seven Killed in Holy Land Violence

JEWISH WOMAN SHOT BY SNIPER, FIVE ARABS DIE

Palestine Government Plans to Strengthen Patrols on Main Road

JERUSALEM, Dec. 24 (AP)—Death took no Christmas holiday in the unhappy Holy Land today. Bullets killed five Arabs and two Jews and at least nine other persons were injured.

The death toll since the United Nations General Assembly voted Nov. 29 to partition Palestine into Jewish and Arab states mounted to 314 for the Holy Land.

A bomb and grenades damaged a Jewish Jewish prisoners of Jaffa to Tel Aviv. Four Jewish women were injured.

A spokesman for the Palestine Government told a news conference the government will take all necessary steps including more patrolling to obtain complete safety on the main road from Jerusalem to Jaffa and Tel Aviv.

This spokesman expressed the opinion that if the vicious cycle of so-called mutual reprisal actions between Jews and Arabs would end for at least two days the situation would be much easier to handle.

Snipers' bullets killed a Jewish woman while she was hanging clothes on the rooftop of her Haifa home. A Jewish child and a Jewish man also were wounded by the snipers before they were dispersed by Hagana, self-styled Jewish defense army.

Three Arabs of the Hanajra tribe were killed while ploughing their fields in the Beersheba area when a party of Jews driving past in six vehicles opened fire.

A Jew was killed in the Hatigvah quarter of the bloody borderland between all-Arab Jaffa and all-Jewish Tel Aviv. A first aid ambulance arriving to remove the body was reported to have been shot at.

An Arab was shot dead in Haifa. Another Arab, who had been wounded last night in Jerusalem, died.

A Jewish woman was wounded as sniping continued in the walled old city of Jerusalem, and a Jewish man was seriously wounded south of Tel Aviv.

Bullets from a speeding taxi seriously wounded an Arab service station owner in Romena, Jerusalem suburb.

Further attacks by Arab snipers in the Abu Kibir-Givath Herzl area, in the Jaffa-Tel Aviv sector, were repulsed by Hagana, Jewish sources said, adding they believed the Arabs had suffered casualties.

Jerusalem, which had been destroyed by Titus in 70 A.D., was restored by Constantine in the Fourth Century.

From the bottom of our hearts we wish you joy and happiness on this, our first post war Christmas.

SEASONS GREETINGS

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POPE PIUS URGES REBIRTH OF PEACE THROUGHOUT WORLD

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24 (AP)—Pope Pius declared today that "already the sinister light of a new conflict flashes on the horizon despite the world's anxious yearning for an end to wars. He urged all Christians to pray and work that 1948 be a year of rebirth and peace."

In a Christmas message broadcast from his bed because of a chest cold the Pontiff spoke in terms that contrasted with apprehension at what he said was a "titanic struggle between the two forces now competing for the mastery of the world."

Speaking vigorously and clearly despite his illness the Pope took as his theme a stark as he ever had adopted in his pontificate in urging "all honest men" to league against what he said was a system of "insincerity" which is arraying the world in distrustful groups.

Nowhere in his address did he name the nations, parties or men whom he listed as foes of peace, reconciliation and honesty, but many of his listeners, especially in the Western world, accepted several of the strongly worded passages in the 38-minute address as a condemnation of Communism and Soviet policy.

Those who give their support to parties which "deny God," he said were close to being "deserters and traitors."

He identified the two forces arrayed against one another as "the champions of negative dis-agreement" who he said are "judicial at the thought—or the illusion—that their hour is near," and the "friends of peace the promoters of lasting reconciliation" who he said are anguished when they compare the message of Bethlehem with the world's present misery.

"Europe and the wide world have reached a turning point in their destiny," he declared, "the gravity of the crisis is unquestionable, its possibilities for good or evil immeasurable, its issue unpredictable."

Insincerity and lack of honesty, he continued, have been "raised to the distinction of a strategy in which the lie, the garbled word or fact, and trickery have come to be the accepted weapon of offense which some people wield with the skill of professionals boasting even of their competence."

For these persons he said, the oppression of right and wrong had come to be "part and parcel of modern technique of forming public opinion."

"They are bent," he said "on winning at any cost the battle of class-interest and theories, of ideologies and power politics."

The Pope deplored that "hostile propaganda" was distorting his own words and thoughts and "hurling the peaceful exchange of ideas."

He said this "tournament of insincerity" had wrought the havoc of producing such distrust in the world. One of its tangible results he continued, was the failure of the council of foreign ministers in London to reach "those essential and decisive steps along the road to peace."

Here he spoke with obvious emotion. Appealing for the forces of honesty and reconciliation to unite in their first task of rehabilitation of the world and "elimination of suffering left by the war," he said:

"It is obvious that a Europe shivering and feverish from economic difficulties and social chaos yields more readily to the seductions and illusions of a fatuous ideal State than a healthy Europe with her vision clear."

Stassen Asked for Facts On Speculation Talk

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—A Kentucky Democrat challenged Harold E. Stassen today to appear before a Congressional committee and present "facts instead of rumor" about speculation of government employees.

Representative Spence (D-Ky.) who was chairman of the House banking committee when Democrats controlled Congress told reporters that Stassen, a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, had made only "vague and indefinite" statements about gambling in food prices.

"He makes no definite charge," Spence said. "It seems to be the general policy characteristic of the group at everything whether there is anything there to snoot at all."

CHINESE BATTLE REDS PEIPING, Dec. 24 (AP)—Troops of the north China command were flown to Mukden today to meet the shock of the Communists' seventh Manchurian offensive rolling up on all sides of the city.

Last Troops From Italy Arrive for Holidays



Home in time for the Christmas holidays, members of the last contingent of American troops to leave Italy are checked off as they come ashore from the Army transport Admiral Sims at New York. The withdrawal of 1453 officers and enlisted men took place under terms of the Italian peace treaty.

Distillers' Shutdown Remains Clouded as Holiday Period Ends

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—The 60-day distilling shutdown drew to an uncertain end tonight, with Friday's planned resumption of whiskey-making subject to change by Government action.

The White House indicated President Truman would sign the Republican anti-inflation bill Friday or soon thereafter. It would give the Government authority to allocate grain to the industry until Jan. 31 and probably would mean a maximum consumption of 2,500,000 bushels a month.

Though most distillers planned to start operations Friday morning, the day brought them a round of unsettling rumors. Distillery officials here reported privately that these reports, all lacking official confirmation, had reached them:

First, that Secretary of Agriculture Anderson, who tried to persuade the distillers to accept the 2,500,000 bushel limit voluntarily, would issue a public appeal for a continued shutdown until Mr. Truman acts on the anti-inflation measure.

Second, that he would do no such thing, but instead would invoke allocation controls as of Jan. 1, if the bill is signed, and then subtract from each distiller's January quota the amount he consumed in December.

Government officials were silent on both reports.

The Distilled Spirits Institute has advocated a 3,500,000 monthly consumption of grain by the industry, achieved by limiting each distiller to 45 percent of his grain consumption a year ago, on a voluntary basis.

POSTAL RECEIPTS BOOSTED PITTSBURGH, Dec. 24 (AP)—Christmas postal receipts here soared to new heights today. Postmaster James C. Smith reporting that the December stamp sale reached \$1,253,704 exclusive of returns today.

for a wonderful Christmas and a joyous New Year. Our thanks, too, for your appreciated patronage.

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2000 U. S. Troops Quit Panama Bases As Pact Is Voided

QUARRY HEIGHTS Canal Zone, Dec. 24 (AP)—Approximately 2000 U. S. troops began withdrawing at dawn today from 13 Panama canal defense bases, after Panama's national assembly, had refused unanimously Monday to lease the bases to the United States.

In Washington, Maj. Gen. Floyd L. Parks, an official Army spokesman, said the withdrawal is in accordance with plans prepared for some time to be used in the event of a change in the status of the bases.

Decision to move the troops "was made late yesterday," although the U. S. Government still believes "it has the right to keep the bases until after World War II peace treaties are signed."

An Administration spokesman said it was felt "essential not to accept an agreement that is inadequate. It would be worse than no agreement and would lead to a false sense of security."

Principal withdrawal operations are being carried out at the big Rio Hato airbase where B29 planes have been based, and at San Jose island, used as a testing site for chemical warfare since the war.

Under terms of a tentative agreement signed Dec. 10 and recommended to the national assembly by President Enrique A. Jimenez, all of the bases would have been leased to the U. S. for five years except Rio Hato, which would have been leased for ten years, renewable at the discretion of Washington.

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State Department Demands U. N. Tighten Controls on Alien Writers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Charging the United Nations with laxity, the State department proposed today a drastic revision of the UN rules for granting credentials to alien news correspondents.

The department said in a sharp, worded statement the United States agreed with its so-called allies in seeing the UN as a "graveyard" of the United Nations as correspondent. The department move was made on the ground that the men are Communists and not legitimate news reporters.

When the UN rules are revised, the State department wants a general tightening up of the UN rules. It calls for consultation in such cases of the United Nations with this government. The State department asserted today this was not done in the case of the two men whose deportation has been sought.

They are Nicolas Kharashev of Greece and Syed S. Hassan of India. Proceedings against them in New York were postponed several times by the UN secretary general, after ended in their behalf a telegram to Warren R. Austin, U. S. chief delegate to the UN.

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HERE'S OUR WISH TO YOU AN OLDFASHIONED MERRY CHRISTMAS in stream-lined dress. May the Yuletide Season with all its spirit of good fellowship bring great joy to you and abundant prosperity in the coming year. NYCE FLYING SERVICE Route 422, 3 Miles East of Pottstown

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GREETINGS

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247 HIGH STREET



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CHRISTMAS
and happiness
throughout the
coming year...

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As a young business man in your community, he sincerely appreciates your patronage — wishes to extend warm Holiday greetings, and assure you of his keen desire to please you with his daily newspaper-route service.

As our special representative in your neighborhood, he voices the equally sincere wish of everyone on this newspaper, that you may have a truly Merry Christmas and a most Prosperous New Year.

So, just as we work with him every day in the year to bring you the best possible newspaper, so we join with him today to express our heartiest good wishes of the Holiday Season.

Pottstown Mercury



Wishing You
Christmas
Happiness

May the warm glow of yule log burning in your fireplace be symbolic of our warm wishes for the yuletide and the New Year.

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To Our Customers
and Friends



The stars and stripes inspire our wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a bright New Year.

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Plumbing and Heating
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We're always
happy at this
time of year
to wish you a
Merry
Christmas.



F. H. BRUNNER
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Merry Christmas and a
season of good things
in mind and body



Greetings

MIKE RAYMOND
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Our wishes for you this Christmas are as warm and bright as the glowing Christmas candle in your window.

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THE Season's Greetings



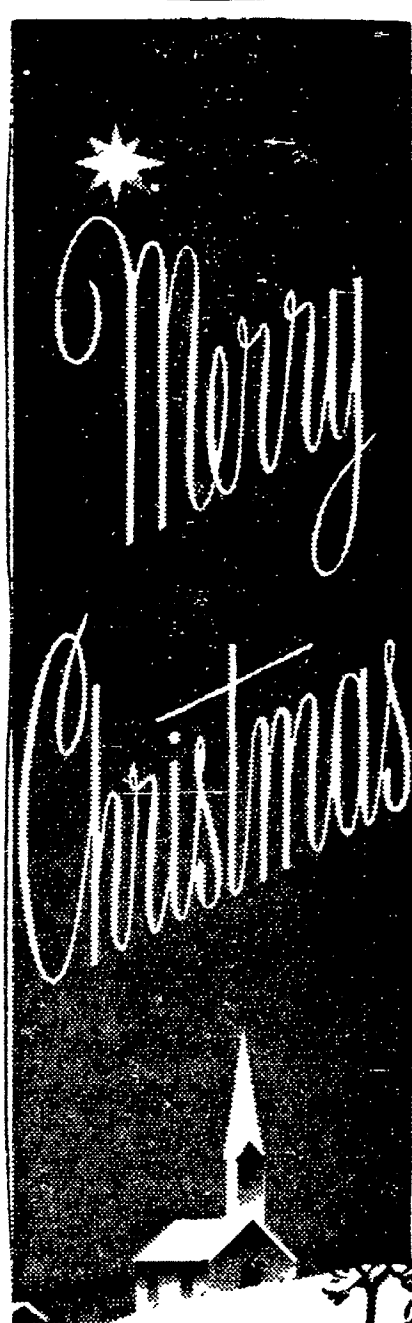
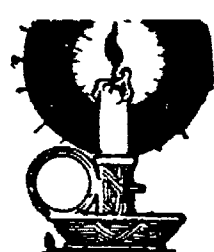
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A Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year

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wishes for this
Yuletide season.
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good health, good
cheer and the
merriest of
Christmases to
everyone.

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We wish to extend to
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wishes for a happy
holiday and our heart-
felt thanks for your
considerate patronage.

Season's Greetings



To All Our
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EAGLES' HOME ASSOCIATION, INC.



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joyous and Happy New Year.
We also thank you sincerely
for your past patronage and
look forward to serving you
to your complete satisfaction
in the New Year.

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YULETIDE
and
A Prosperous
NEW YEAR

To All

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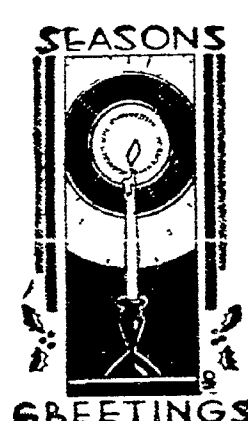
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**Merry Christmas
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May the Yuletide
Season Be a
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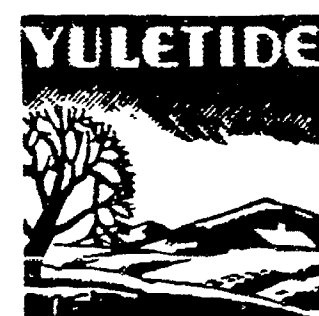
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And Health
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the future years even
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Each flicker of the Yuletide candles lights the way for us to wish you a wonderful Christmas abundant with health, happiness and prosperity. And may we include in our greeting our sincere thanks for your appreciated patronage of the past year. We look forward to serving you in 1948.

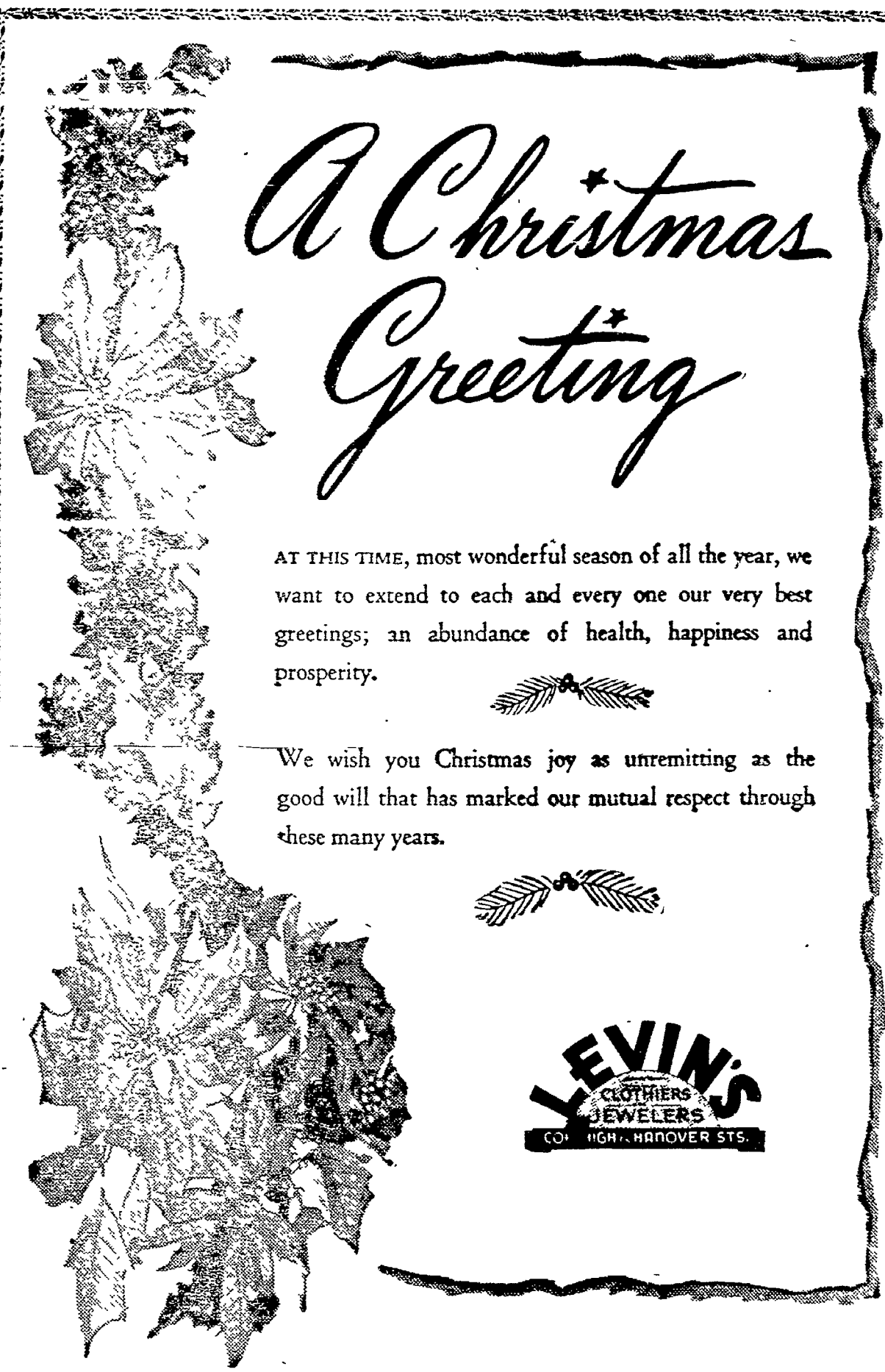
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To everyone living in this community — to the business men and housewives; to the employees of our retail stores and industrial plants; to babes in arms—Merry Christmas, one and all.

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May your Yuletide
season be a merry
one.



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General Contractor

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this world, we wish you
the most. Good cheer!

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Season's Greetings

That your path be
always lighted with
the joys of Christmas
is our fervent wish.



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May the good small
things come in large
packages for the new
year. Merry Yuletide.

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We wish you a
Christmas lit with
good hope, and filled
with the company of
those you love. The
greatest gift any of
us can wish.

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Greetings

We send our warmest greet-
ings to all our patrons for
a very happy Yuletide
holiday.

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Here's to your
happiness.

May this Christ-
mas bring you
good cheer and
joy.

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JOY BE
WITH YOU THIS
HAPPY SEASON

We are mindful of
our debt to our
friends who have fa-
vored our business.

Merry Christmas!

**WESLEY O.
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FRANKLIN ST.



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wish to extend to you
Christmas greetings
and Good Will, and
may boundless Hol-
iday Cheer be ever
yours.

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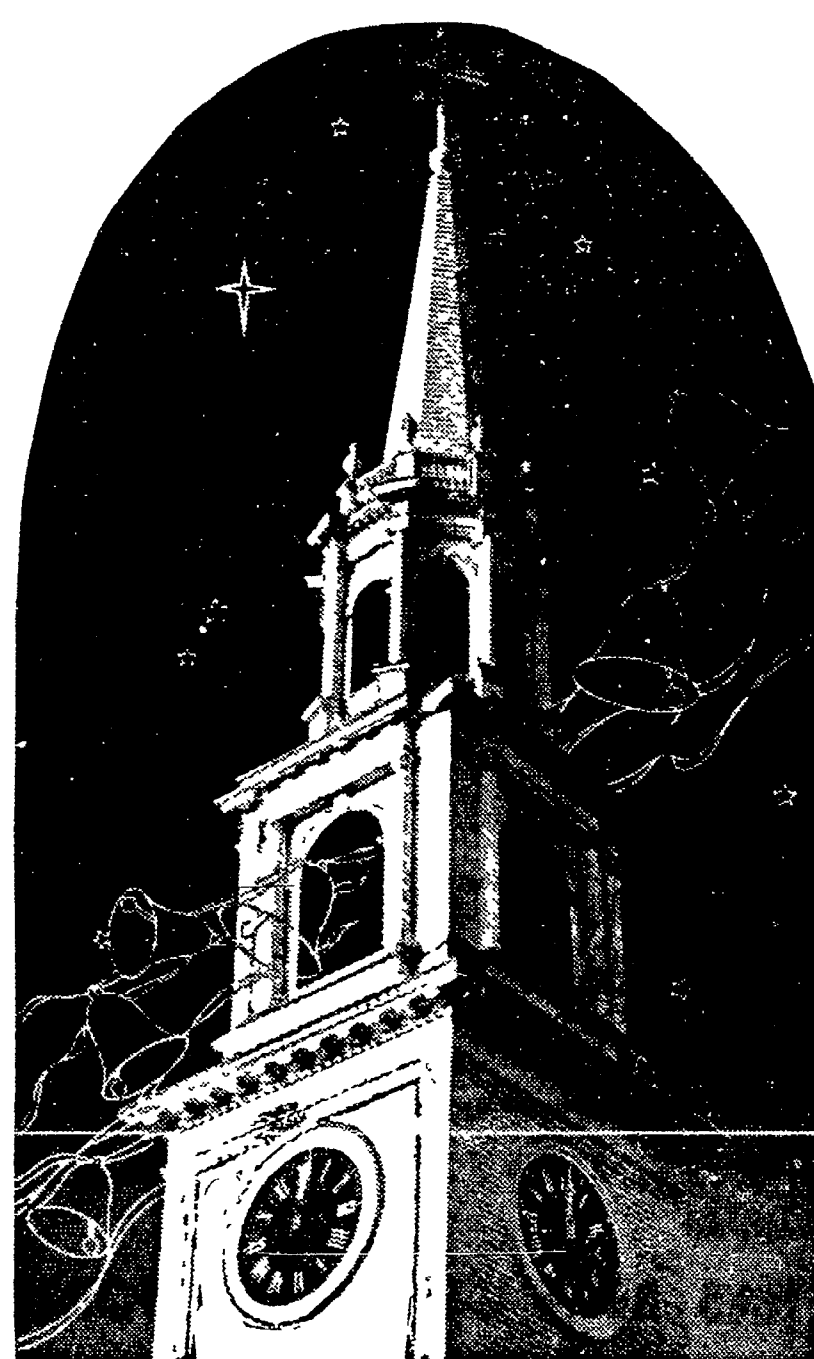
153 High Street



May yours be a joyous holiday,
overflowing with happiness and
good cheer.



WEISS' WOMEN'S APPAREL
214 High St.



Wherever a Church steeple rises to pierce the blue skies
of daylight, and commune with the stars of night — there
is Peace. And as we enter our Church this Christmastide,
the full spirit — meaning — and essence of the word
shall enter our beings and inspire each of us to fulfill our
own small roles in achieving for all time Peace on Earth:
Good Will to Men.

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cheer multiplied
for a merry Christ-
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this glorious holiday.



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much good cheer await you at this pleasant port and as you set out
on time's tide for the future may your ship find each day a rolling
billow to drive her o'er a prosperous sea of health ... and plenty.

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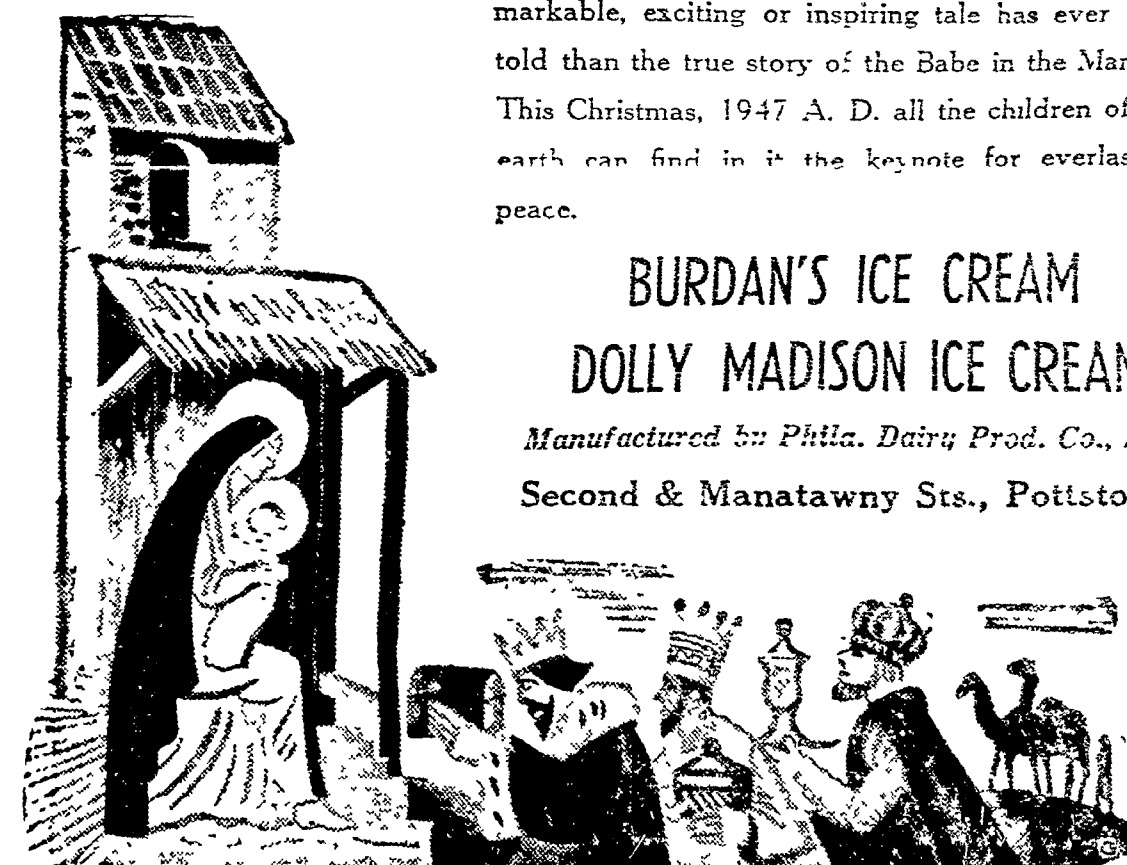
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In all the centuries during which man has conceived
plots to be woven into story-telling, no more re-
markable, exciting or inspiring tale has ever been
told than the true story of the Babe in the Manger.
This Christmas, 1947 A. D. all the children of the
earth can find in it the keynote for everlasting
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DOLLY MADISON ICE CREAM**

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Garlands of good hope
to crown your good
will...for this and
coming Christmas sea-
sons.



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May the good fortunes
of this year come to you
in greater measure for
next year. A Merry
Christmas to you.

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RACE ST., STOWE

MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO ALL

Our Depositors and Friends

The National Bank OF POTTSTOWN

Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation



A Toast to Christmas



and to our friends may Christmas
be a long day and a Merry One.

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To Our
Customers and Friends

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The season's greetings to you . . . and
cheer, health and happiness.

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Heartiest Good Wishes
for a
Merry Christmas
and a
Prosperous New Year

CHRISTMAN'S FAIRLAWN MARKET

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Yuletide Greetings
and
Best Wishes
To our
Customers and Friends

DANIEL MILLER

BARBER
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IT HAS BEEN OUR GOOD FORTUNE

To do business with the finest folks on earth and the Spirit of the Season brings renewed appreciation of old associations and the value of good friends. Here's wishing you the most joyous Christmas and a New Year that will bring you and yours the fullest measure of happiness and prosperity.

LEVENGOOD DAIRY FARMS

CHESTNUT AND WASHINGTON STS.



On this most glorious occasion we
want to express our heartiest
wishes to one and all for a Christ-
mas brimming over with joy and
happiness.

KEPNER and ROMICH

139 HIGH ST.



Wishing Our Friends
and Patrons

A Very

MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR

POTTSTOWN DINER

405 High St.



Greetings to
You

We Express
Our Thanks

In wishing you a Jolly
Christmas, we should
like to thank you for
a year of pleasant
business associations.

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Season's Greetings

Row on row of good
cheer and happiness is
our wish for you this
Christmas.

ROSE SINGER SHOPPE

Qualified Corsetiere

20 N. Hanover St.

Students Return From Colleges Far and Near To Spend Christmas Holidays at Homes

(Continued From Page One)

and George Swinehart, a student at Pennsylvania Military college, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Swinehart, 737 Walnut street.

Bob Martz, a student at Pennsylvania Military college, is being entertained over the holidays at the home of Mr. Robert Elicker, 720 High street. Mr. Martz is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Martz, formerly of Pottstown.

Mary Helen Hartline, a student of the Nursery Training school of Boston, Mass., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hartline, 423 West street.

Leonard Bernhart, a student at Lock Haven State Teachers college, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bernhart, 62 West Sixth street.

Nancy Burdan, a student at Kutztown State Teachers college, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burdan, 276 Diamond street.

Sonia Stein, a student at the University of Syracuse, Syracuse, N. Y., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Stein, 1336 High street.

Lewis J. Capaldi, a Millersville State Teachers college student, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Capaldi, 629 Lemon street, Stowe.

Grace Selinger, a student at Bucknell University, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey M. Selinger, 1317 Queen street.

Mary Jane Shaner, a student of Wilson college, Chambersburg, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Shaner, 261 Chestnut street.

Eleanor Jane Hoffman, a student at Ursinus college, Collegeville, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Z. Hoffman, 513 High street.

Ella Virginia Feight, a student at East Stroudsburg college, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Feight, 427 North York street.

Lee Henry, of Mercersburg academy, and Owen Henry, of Albright college, Reading, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Henry, Linfield.

Marjorie Cohen, a student at West Chester State Teachers college, West Chester, is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cohen, 1128 High street.

Ina Stein, a student at Millersville State Teachers college, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Bessie Stein, 265 High street.

Sue Feit, also a student at Millersville State Teachers college, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin A. Feit, 1433 Sunset drive.

Joanne Brown, a student at West Chester State Teachers college, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Anne S. Brown, 520 North Franklin street.

Henry A. Stofko, a student at West Chester State Teachers college, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Stofko, 1214 Queen street.

Doris Erb, a student at West Chester State Teachers college, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Estella Erb, 472 North Charlotte street.

Kitty Lou Olewiler, a student at Western Maryland college, Westminster, Md., is spending the holidays with her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Horace N. Olewiler, 414 High street.

Misses Catherine and Mabel Faust, students at Ursinus college, are spending their Christmas vacation at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson K. Faust, Gilbertsville, RD 1.

Nancy Wolcott, a student nurse in the Methodist hospital, is spending her vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Pauline Wolcott, 801 North Franklin street.

Joseph Binczak, a student at the School of Advanced Training in Aviation, Memphis, Tenn., is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Binczak, 116 Sembling avenue.

Grant Strohm, student at West Chester State Teachers college, is spending the holidays with his wife and son, Linfield.

Harold Harvey Jr., a student at West Chester State Teachers college, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Harvey Sr., Linfield.

Victor Pollock, a student at the Kiski Preparatory school, Saltsburg, will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Pollock, Linfield.

Jacob C. Pegely Jr., a student at Lafayette college, Easton, is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob C. Pegely Sr., 33 North York street.

CLUB NEWS
Woman's Page
WEDDINGS

After 50 Years, He Can't Fool Her



"Take off those Santa whiskers. I know you," Mrs. Frank Weaver, Spring City RD 1, seems to be saying to her husband. And well she should, since the couple mark their golden wedding at noon today, with an open house this afternoon and Friday. Weaver and Emma Gertrude Keen were married at Falls of French Creek. They have four children, Frank R., Clifford and Mrs. Annie Reintour, all of Spring City, and John K., Parkerford.

—Mercury Staff Photo

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Yergey, 642 High street.

John J. Yonkovich Jr., who is attending the Philadelphia Museum School of Industrial Arts, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Yonkovich Sr., 343 Cherry street.

Donald Herman, a student at Stroudsburg State Teachers college, is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Herman, Douglassville.

Paul Kulp, who is attending Elizabethtown college, is spending the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Randolph Kulp, Pottstown RD 1.

Yolanda Formando, a student at Pennsylvania State college, is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Formando, 19 Walnut street.

Jack R. Strange, a Dickinson college student, Carlisle, is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Strange, 26 Beech street.

Robert V. Tobias, who is attending Temple university, Philadelphia, is spending the holidays with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ira B. Trate, 398 Diamond street.

John Moffitt, a student at Millersville State Teachers college, is spending the holidays at the home of his mother, Mrs. Jeanne M. Moffitt, 846 High street.

Paul Wisneski Holds Dinner for Employees

Mr. Paul Wisneski, of Spring City, entertained employees of North Side Service station in Phoenixville recently at Bungalow Inn, Norris-town.

A turkey dinner was served and gifts were exchanged.

Persons present were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wisneski, Mr. George Donahue, Mr. Raymond Umstead, Mr. Joseph Stercula, Katy Dovelung, Mary Jane Powell, Betty Emery and Mrs. Paul Wisneski.

Christmas Cheer

May you ride the crest of Christmas cheer in good health. A best Christmas to you.

JANICE BEAUTY SHOP, 237 High St.

May this Christmas cargo be a heavy one of good cheer and joy for your whole family.

EVELYNE APPLIGATE
Antiques
105 High St., Pottstown

A bonnie Christmas filled with cheer and the very happiest of all New Years.

JANE'S BEAUTY SHOP
54 W. 4th St.

We hope our cheerful Chirping contributes from the start, to the very merriest Christmas our good wishes can impart!

Leona's Beauty Salon
301 Chestnut Street

A warm and bountiful Christmas season is our wish to you.

DANIEL W. BRUNISH
Grocer
577 Lincoln Ave.

Cheer for All

We convey our sincerest hopes for a cheerful, happy Christmas to you.

WM. G. ROMICH
COAL
Queen and Penn Sts. Phone 801

Mrs. Norman Lepperd Feted at Stork Shower

After caroling, the Meister singers held a stork shower at the home of Miss Lorene S. Perkins, 1483 Sunset drive, in honor of Mrs. Norman Lepperd, director.

Mrs. Lepperd received many lovely gifts.

Refreshments were served on an attractive decorated table.

Members present were Mr. Norman Lepperd, Miss Muriel Prutzman, Mr. Robert Pike, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Smith, Miss Dorothy Cannell, Miss Mary Jane Ecker, Mrs. Carl Lafferty, Miss Marion Zimmerman and Miss Ruth Callahan.

Also Mr. Calvin Myers, Mr. Charles Obert, Mr. Joseph Kunkle, Miss Helen Myers, and Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Perkins.

OTHER SOCIAL NEWS ON PAGE THIRTY-TWO

It's a holiday joy to wish you and yours a Joyful, Happy Christmas and a very Good New Year.

THE MARGUERITE SHOP

23 N. Hanover St.

Happy Holidays

This little angel sprinkling stardust wherever she goes is our heaven-sent messenger bringing you our season's greetings for a Merry, Merry Christmas.

Edna Kendall
Coat and Gown Shop
Bahr Arcade

The EMMA and CHARLES BEAUTY SHOP
516 E. Vine St., Stowe

JOY TO THE WORLD

May your hearth be warm always. May this Christmas be the best you've ever had.

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS

Greetings

The candle's bright gleam casts a shadow of beauty over all the house... the spirit of Christmas is one of brightness and cheer...

We too want to share that spirit with you on this joyous holiday by extending you our sincerest wishes for a

Merry Christmas to All

PHYLLIS ANNE DRESS SHOP
162 N. Charlotte St.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wisneski, of Harbor, announce the birth of a daughter recently in Woman's hospital, Philadelphia. Mr. Wisneski is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wisneski, 213 Washington street, Spring City.

Congratulations are being received by Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Raden, 449 High street, on the birth of a son late Tuesday night in Pottstown hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Latshaw, of Bechtelsville, announce the birth of a daughter late Tuesday night in Pottstown hospital.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Keen Campbell, 1150 High street, yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Elvin, of Gilbertsville, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

Use corn syrup or honey to make tender, appetizing candied sweet potatoes.

Scouts of Troop 3 Hold Christmas Party

Games were played, Christmas carols were sung and refreshments were served at a recent party held by scouts of Troop 3 in St. Aloysius Parochial school hall.

Gifts were exchanged and scout pins were given as gifts from the leader.

The birthday anniversaries of Shirley Impink and Patricia Heath also were celebrated.

Other scouts present were Marie Pindjack, Caroline Tine, Joan Tishe, Mary Murphy, Kathleen Borger, Catherine Glinther, Judith Dutton, Mary Trojanowski, Helen Kattana and Margaret Heath.

DANCE AT SUNNYBROOK
Saturday, Dec. 27
CHARLIE BARNET and His Orch.
Admission \$1.50 Plus Tax
New Year's Eve, Dec. 31
RAY MCKINLEY and His Orch.
Hats, Noise Makers and Novelties
Admission \$2.00 Plus Tax

SEASONS GREETINGS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
CLAIRE HAT SHOP
16 North Hanover St.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS
May your Christmas be as beautiful as the clean, first snow-fall.
Glendell Beauty Shoppe
Joseph Stack — Maude Beasley
361 High Street

JOY TO THE WORLD
May your hearth be warm always. May this Christmas be the best you've ever had.
The EMMA and CHARLES BEAUTY SHOP
516 E. Vine St., Stowe

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162 N. Charlotte St.

GOOD WILL DANCE
Friday—Saturday—Sunday
DAN GARBER

WARNER BROS. STRAND
CONTINUOUS FROM 12:00 NOON TODAY
LANA TURNER
Van Heflin
— IN —
"GREEN DOLPHIN STREET"

SEASON'S Greetings

May your Christmas be one of joy and contentment. May your New Year overflow with good health.

MAYETTA'S BEAUTY SALON
308 King St.
(Second Floor)

Christmas Cheer

A warm and bountiful Christmas season is our wish to you.

DANIEL W. BRUNISH
Grocer
577 Lincoln Ave.

Cheer for All

We convey our sincerest hopes for a cheerful, happy Christmas to you.

WM. G. ROMICH
COAL
Queen and Penn Sts. Phone 801

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Along with Christmas holly . . .
may health, wealth and happi-
ness deck your home!

SAUL and EAGLE

Brass and Aluminum Foundry
DOUGLASSVILLE



We send you our sincerest
greetings this yuletide season
and wish you a joyous Christ-
mas—a bright and happy New
Year.

Dr. W. D. PHILLIPS

OPTOMETRIST
340 HIGH ST.



*Holiday cheer to all. A
merry old fashioned
American Christmas
and the happiest New
Year possible.*



Permit us to extend to
you all the good wishes
for a cheerful, happy
Christmas.

BOSTON SHOE STORE
259 High St.



With our hearts full of Christ-
mas spirit we wish to convey
our appreciation for your loyal
and valued patronage during
the season of 1947. It's good
to know that our efforts have
not been in vain and that we
have met with hearty approval.

GOODYEAR SERVICE STORES

151-A HIGH ST. - Phone 603

We're so glad
at this time of
year to wish
you MERRY
CHRISTMAS



W. W. REIGNER

Coal
DOUGLASSVILLE



MERRY
CHRISTMAS

The Two Words of Greeting
Have Behind Them All Our
Good Wishes for the Future

**MILLIE'S
BARBER SHOP**

844 High St.

J. OLIVER YERGEY

757 N. Charlotte St.



MERRY XMAS

and a
HAPPY
NEW YEAR

**SUNNYBROOK
BALLROOM**

Buchert and Hartenstine

GREETINGS



Once again, the Star of Beth-
lehem shines down upon a
peaceful earth. On this
Christmas, we humbly pray
to God that always may we
have the blessings of peace.

POTTSTOWN METAL WELDING CO.

46 High Street



Though time never ends and
the people of the earth ever
increase in numbers — the
story of Jesus will be told
through all the years and to
all generations to come.
Christmas will be forever
glorious and its spirit a constant
source of inspiration.

**NICK A. PALLADINO
and BRO.**
28 WALNUT ST.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

The **PEARL SHOP**
224 High Street



Merry Christmas
AND
A Happy
New Year

RICCI'S PLACE

Home-made and Italian
Cooking
1/2 MILE EAST OF POTTS-
TOWN AIRPORT
Phone Linfield 2891

Appreciation . . .

We take this opportunity to express to
you our appreciation of your business
during the past year and to wish you
a Merry Christmas and a prosperous
New Year.

CHESTER VALLEY TREE EXPERTS

325 West King St.



Here's to your luck,
your health, your good
cheer this Christmas.

HOWARD McCABE
AUTO PARTS
515 Farmington Ave.



To little boys and girls every-
where go our very best wishes
for a Christmas filled with all
your dreams come true and for
a New Year filled with fun and
gladness.

Closed From Christmas Eve to
Monday, Dec. 29

THE PINES

Bertha Bickel, Prop.
Route 100



We know that this Christmas will
bring you a new horizon for health
and happiness.

PURE OIL SERVICE STATION

MORRIS and MERRILL GAUGER
Farmington Ave. and Hanover St.



This Is One
Christmas for
Sentiment

This is the time to be
with loved ones — to
clasp hands and renew
pledges of friendship —
to be frankly sentiment-
al. This is Christmas,
and at no other time in
the year do warm feel-
ings and fond words
seem more fitting.
Merry Christmas, say
we, from the bottom of
our hearts!

**MEADOWBROOK
FARMS**

H. E. Swartz



At this glorious time
of the year we want
to take time out to
wish one and all a
Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year.

**PAT'S
BARBER SHOP**
131 High Street



Here's to a tie-up
of Christmas fun
and cheer. Best
Yuletide wishes.

FRANK LEVEILLE
GROCER
Beech & Evans

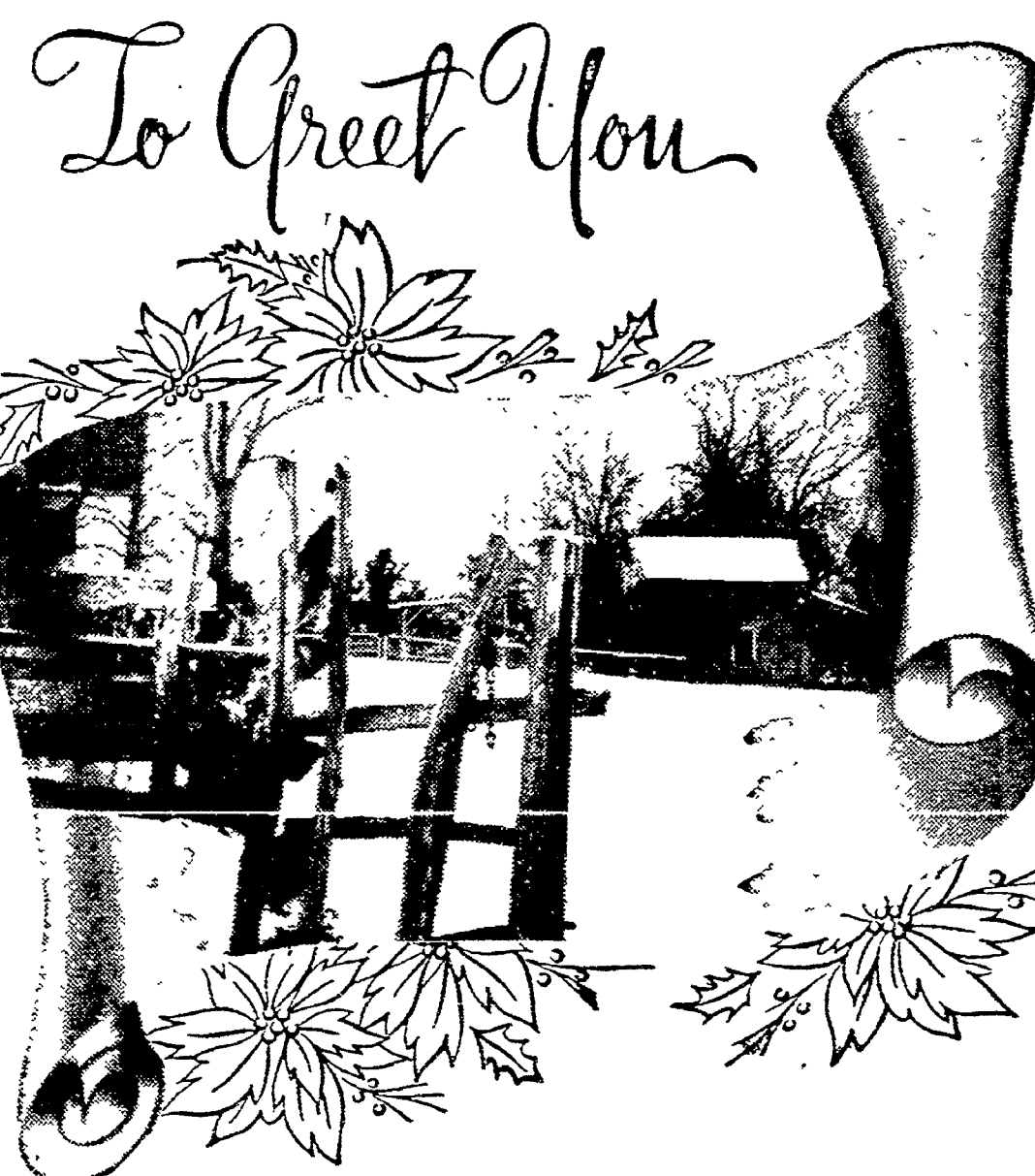


SEASON'S GREETINGS

To All Members of Our
As Well As All Their Friends
Our Merry Christmas to You Includes a
Heartfelt Prayer for Everyone

Rev. John Naja, Rector and
Rev. Francis Krajewski

ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
SOUTH and PRICE STREETS



We wish you all the joys of the Christmas season
and a very happy New Year too!

FRANK A. SMITH

Beverage Distributor

548 King St.

Pottstown

FRIEDMAN BROS.

Auto Glass and Replacements

South and Race Streets



*It came upon the midnight clear
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold;
Peace on the earth, good-will to men,
From heaven's all-gracious King,
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.*

Christmas Greetings

High above in the belfry tower the joyous peals proclaim the
arrival of Christmas. Out and over the rooftops towards
distant horizons goes the spirit of peace and rejoicing.

It is our wish to join in this spirit of good will and merriment
by extending to all our friends our fondest hopes that they may
enjoy the blessings of good health, happiness and prosperity.

We can think of no better way of saying it than

"A very Merry Christmas to one and all."

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS
ORIOLES
HOME ASSOCIATION
Pottstown

Season's Greetings



May your home be filled with true Christmas spirit — now and forever!

WOODLAND INN

E. W. HERPST, Prop.
Route 100 Phone Pughtown 2951

A TOAST TO YOU

We send you our best wishes for a merry Christmas, this year and every year.



HAAG BROS.
BEER DISTRIBUTORS
Phone 224

MERRY CHRISTMAS

We hope that this Christmas brings you the best in living, the merriest of seasons.



ROBERT P. ECKER
107 HIGH ST., POTTSTOWN, PA.

GREETINGS TO YOU!



May your pathway be as smooth as the sincere hope for a happy Christmas.

ETHEL'S BEAUTY SHOPPE

ROSE KOHLER
PHONE 2155 204 HIGH ST.

OUR WISH TO YOU

The season's cheer to all our friends.



N. Charlotte St. Service Station
Ed. Horner, Prop.

Our Heartiest Well Wishes



Our sincere wish is that this Christmas may be one of dreams come true, a day that will find you truly glad, and the very best that you ever had.

KEYSTONE STORE

King and Hanover Sts.

SEASON'S GREETINGS



May health, good cheer, happiness be yours this Christmas and forever.

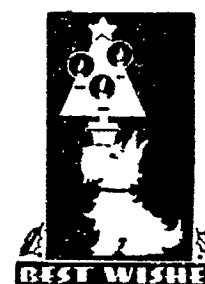
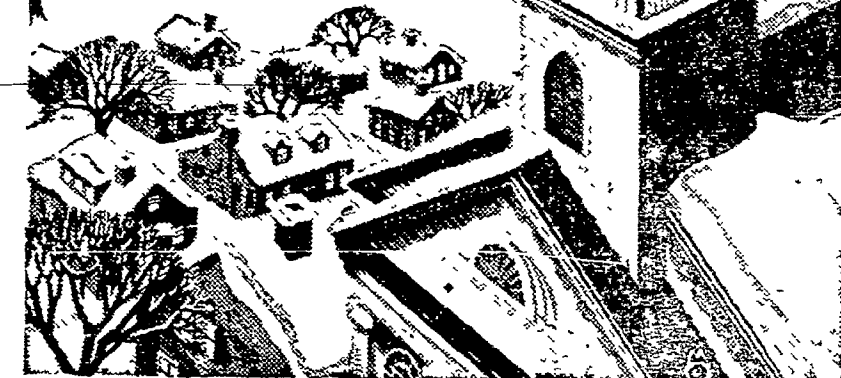
LLOYD LEH'S FOOD STORE

1421 HIGH ST.

Starry Night

Oh! Holy Night! The tapering church spire watches over the village, inspiring peace and good will. Our best wishes to you!

Givard
INVESTMENT COMPANY
268 HIGH ST.
(Second Floor)



A sincere and heartfelt hope for a joyous and merry Christmas to you.

GEORGE DWYER
11 N. Hanover St.

Happiness to You



Our sincerest hope for a joyous Yuletide season for you.

CHARLES LESSIG, JR.
KEYSTONE STORES

44 W. 3rd St. Phone 1428



"MERRY CHRISTMAS"

and a

"HAPPY NEW YEAR"

From

RED ARROW OIL CO.

128 High St.

WITH EVERY GOOD WISH FOR A

Happy Holiday Season

All that makes for a merry, merry Christmas... the voices of carol singers filling the air, the bells pealing melodiously, the holly wreaths hanging in the windows... all these things plus joy and happiness in your heart we sincerely hope is yours on this glorious holiday.

SCHULZ BAKING CO.

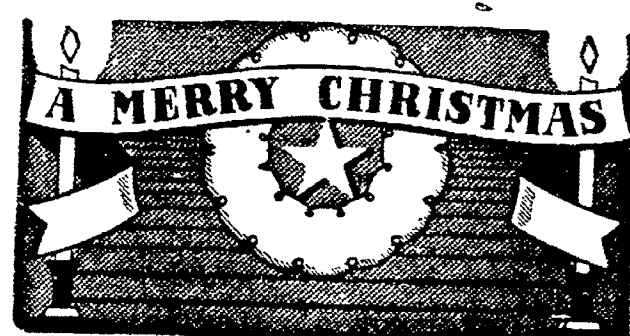
POTTSTOWN



MERRY XMAS

TO YOU
and
A Happy New Year

Harry A. Keene
ESTATE
King & Charlotte Sts.



Accept Our Appreciation of Your Patronage During the Past Year
GREAT OAK SPRING WATER CO.
Phone 820

Merry Christmas



Health, happiness and warm thought—is our Christmas greeting to you.

LEVENGOD'S GREENHOUSE
STOWE



YULETIDE GREETINGS

Because we cannot personally see each of you, we take this way of sending our Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season

Princethal's
BELL CLEANERS
445 High Street



Merry Christmas

It is not riches or expensive gifts alone that make a Christmas merry... but the added simple, familiar wishes of neighbors and friends. So it is that again we raise our voices in the homey, old greeting... Merry Christmas... to each and everyone!

SUNNYBROOK DINER, Inc.

Beech and High Sts.



Cordial Christmas Greetings

and all good wishes for the New Year

FOCHT'S SERVICE STATION

HIGH and FRANKLIN STS.



We're here again... to wish you the best of everything throughout the Christmas holiday and the New Year!

John H. Levengood
AUTO REFINISHING
360 JEFFERSON AVE.

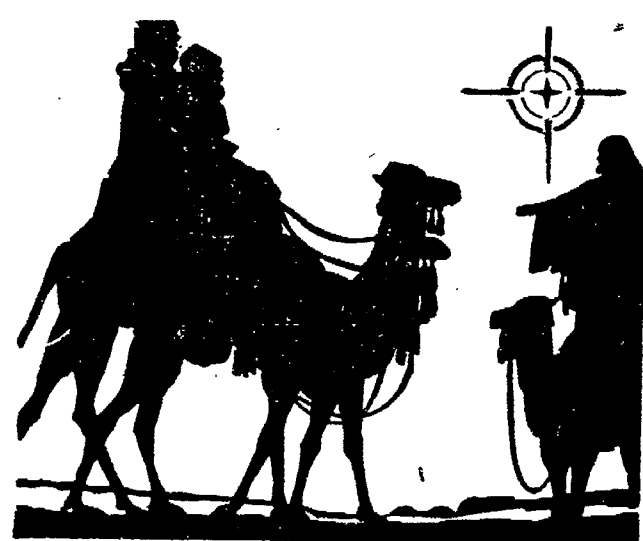


May we again express
our Yuletide greetings
to you and your family.

ANGSTADT PAINT AND WALL PAPER

148 HIGH ST.

CHRISTMAS GOOD WISHES



It Is Our Sincere Wish
That Your
Christmas Be the Happiest Ever
and Your
New Year a Bounteous One

HENRY H. MEST

Successor to Frey and Powell
W. HIGH STREET, STOWE PHONE: 1389



"Merry Christmas"
still rings truer than
any other greeting
we can extend to you
at this time. May
every heart's desire
be yours.

CHARLES L. DIEROLF CO.

W. KING STREET

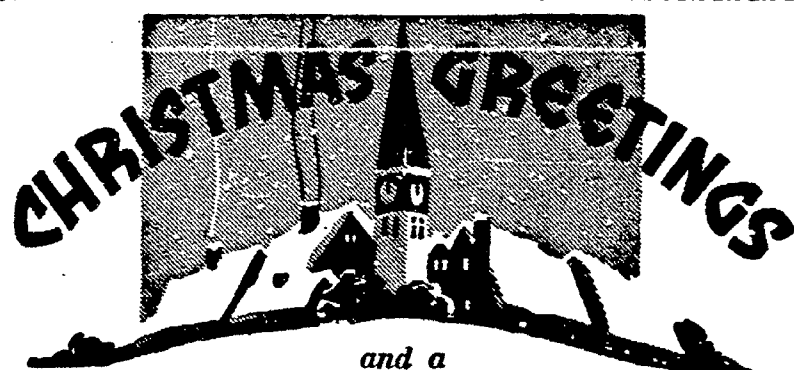
A DUAL WISH

May you have a merry Christ-
mas and a joyous New Year
filled with love, health and
happiness.



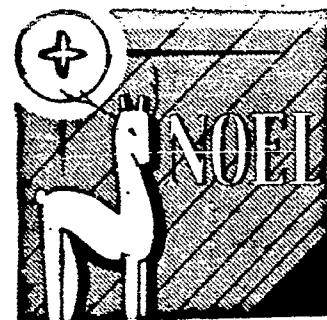
ARROW CAMERA SHOP

80 N. Charlotte St.



HAPPY NEW YEAR N. M. SECHLER

Beverage Distributor
284 N. HANOVER ST.



MERRY XMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

May this joyous Christ-
mas season be but a fore-
runner of the happiness
and prosperity that will
be yours throughout the
year.

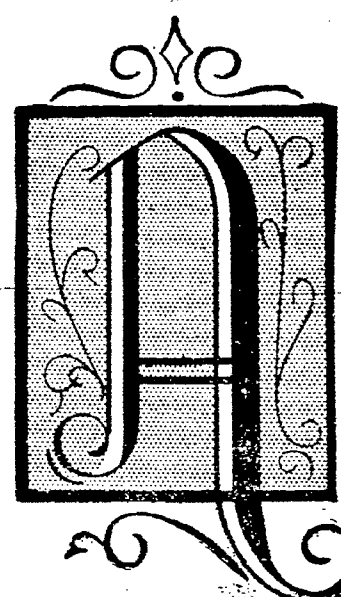
SAM S. ROOT

Butcher
50. POTTSTOWN



Extending the
Season's Greeting
to All

BINDER'S
DRUG STORE
309 High Street



OUR WISH TO ALL....

Christmas Filled With Joy and Happiness



For both young and old there are untold joys at Christ-
mas time. There's laughter and gaiety and warmth
in the hearts of men—there's happiness that knows
no bounds—there's a spirit of giving that is
beautiful to behold . . . there's a bright
sparkle in the eyes of the kiddies, an excite-
ment in their little beings that only
visions of Santa can bring. That all
may experience these magic joys is
our sincere wish this Christmas.

The **ARNELL Store**
261 HIGH ST. POTTSTOWN, PA.

SEASON'S GREETINGS



From

H. RENTZ SMALE

19 N. Hanover St.



The pealing bells that loudly ring,
A song of Christmas merriment bring,
To cheer the hearts of all who hear . . .
This Yuletide and throughout the year!

CANNING'S

DRUG STORE

High and Washington Streets



GREETINGS

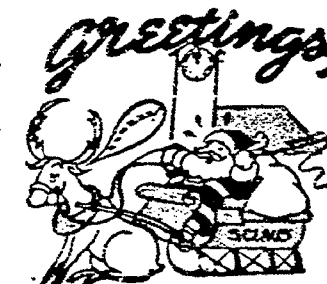
In the Spirit of Christmas —
We wish for you all the hap-
piness and good fortune that
you could possibly wish for
yourself.

BLOCKS

Pottstown

May Joy Be Yours

We extend a cordial wel-
come to you for the Christmas
season — and after. Accept
our greetings in good cheer.



CARL N. DUNMIRE

Farm Implements
SANATOGA



MARY KAAS BEAUTY SHOP

19 N. Hanover St.

Phone 1560

A Merry, Merry
Christmas
to You



Here's to your
Christmas bells!
They spell out our
season's greetings
to you—our neigh-
bors.

Cordial
Greetings . . .

Bunting's

Over 95 Years
at High and Hanover Sts.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS from SANATOGA RADIO CO. AND ITS EMPLOYEES

ON THE AIR THURSDAY MORNING			
Hour	NBC 1050 K	CBS 1210 K	MBS 610 K
6	Morning Salute R. D.—1000 Ted Steele	Jamboree Rural Digest Amos Kirby	Songs of West Jack Day Farmers Market Zeks Manners
7	Musical Clock Kewer Music Musical Clock	News: Weather Buck Call Music J. Raleigh, News	Mac McGuire Comedy News: Mac McGuire
8	Musical Clock Musical Clock	Buck Call Music Buck Call	Mac McGuire News: Mac McGuire
9	Ruth Welles Town Meeting of the Air	Children's Xmas Mass from St. Francis Xavier Church	Mac McGuire News: Mac McGuire
10	Fred Waring Road of Life Joyce Jordan	Lets Have Fun Music Fanny Mason David Barum	Happiness News East Aces Request Time
11	Nora Drake Katie's Daughter Jack Seave Lora Lewton	Arthur Godfrey In Hollywood Gladys Drake Bill Laug	Kitchen Kapers Tina Ruffner Heart's Desire
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9	Bob Hawk Show Eddie Cantor Show	Dick Haynes Martha Tilden Celine Photographer	Gabriel Heatter Guest Star RFD America
10	News Caravan	Paul Lukas First Nighter News: G. Howe Powers Grouard The Messiah	"Our Lady's Juggler" News Music: Serenade Come and Dance
11	Caravan: News	News: Orchestra	Chester Bowles Midnight Mosaic Bandwagon

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9	Bob Hawk Show Eddie Cantor Show	Dick Haynes Martha Tilden Celine Photographer	Gabriel Heatter Guest Star RFD America
10	News Caravan	Paul Lukas First Nighter News: G. Howe Powers Grouard The Messiah	"Our Lady's Juggler" News Music: Serenade Come and Dance
11	Caravan: News	News: Orchestra	Chester Bowles Midnight Mosaic Bandwagon

Actress Marie Taylor Succumbs in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (P)—Mrs. Emma Taylor Johnson, 90-year-old retired stage and radio actress known as Marie Taylor, died last night.

Daughter of Gen. Richard Tank Taylor of the Confederate army, Miss Taylor played in many Broadway hits of the early 1900's, including "Get Rich Quick Wallingford" and "The Virginian."

She was the leading lady in "The Roundup," starring Mackey N. Arbuckle, and in many character roles in productions with the late George M. Cohan.

Miss Taylor made her farewell stage appearance in "At the Inn" at New York City on Nov. 22, 1932. She took numerous character parts in radio from then until 1942, when she entered the Edwin Forrest home for retired actors and actresses here.

Automobile Club Holds Christmas Eve Dinner

Thirty directors and employees of the Pottstown Automobile club had their Christmas dinner in the Clover Leaf restaurant at 6 o'clock last night.

The business session of the club meeting was held down to a minimum and the group left early to trim their Christmas trees.

William F. Lamb Sr., president of the Automobile club, presided at the dinner meeting.

One Officer on Duty At Army's Camp Kilmer

CAMP KILMER, N. J., Dec. 24 (P)—Only one officer remained on duty tonight at Camp Kilmer. He was Capt. Sammy Klaus.

TREASURY BALANCE
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (P)—The position of the Treasury Dec. 22: Receipts, \$187,539,451.50; expenditures, \$97,367,177.03; balance, \$2,848,222,873.87; total debt, \$256,953,115,295.45; decrease under previous day, \$64,968,967.37.

SALLY'S SALLIES



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It's Queer But True

HERE IS WEATHERING BUT NO WEATHER ON THE AIRLESS MOON.

CATS ARE NOT MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE.

SCRAPS

HOW RAPIDLY DO DEER ANTLETS GROW?

THE WHOLE CYCLE OF ANTLER GROWTH TAKES FOUR MONTHS.

THIS NIGERIAN NATIVE WITH HIS PRIMITIVE HOE IS NOT GREATLY ADVANCED BEYOND THE PREHISTORIC DISCOVERERS.

ROOM and BOARD by Gene Ahern

I DON'T LIKE TUI INNERFERE IN OTHER PEOPLES AFFAIRS, BUT I THINK YUH SHOULD CHECK ON DA JUDGE... HE'S ACTIN' AS DIZZY AS AN EGGS BEATER... AN' WHEN HE TALKS, HIS WORDS ARE JUMBLED LIKE IN A PHABET SOUP!

IT'S NOTHING TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT, JUNIOR... IT'S PERFECTLY NORMAL FOR HIM TO BE DIZZY. HE'S A SKI TRAIL... BUT I'LL GO SEE HIM!

THE JUDGE HAS A SLIGHT HEAD CONCUSSION

The Old Home Town by Stanley

BETWEEN TH WATER PISTOLS AND BUBBLE GUM I GUESS TH' KIDS HAVE HIM READY FOR TRIMMING— I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE WHAT'S BEEN HIDING UNDER THAT BUSH ALL THESE YEARS!

MARTHA! GET TH' SHEARS AND CUT ME OUT OF THIS MESS! * @ @ @ @ *

BOOM! BANG! BANG!

AT LAST GRANDPA COMES OUT OF HIDING

TODAY'S Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS	DOWN
1. Young girl (Scott.)	1. Intermediate school
5. Assist	2. Earth
9. Province (Austria)	3. Vessel
10. Wrongs	5. Masculine pronoun
12. Behavior	6. Girl's name
14. Nurse (Orient)	7. Utmost extent
15. Personal pronoun	8. Puts
16. A fold in thread	9. Pounds down
18. River (So. Am.)	11. Portion
19. Young dog	13. Midday
21. A timely hint (colloq.)	17. Spotted, as a horse
23. Self-satisfied	20. Entrust
25. Born	22. Tidy
26. Selenum (Sym.)	24. A gale of wind
27. Vat	28. Girl's name
29. Peck	30. Snake
31. From	31. Composition for eight parts
33. Egyptian god	32. Impart a taste to
35. Work	34. Endure
38. To make a rattling sound	36. In fact
41. Cuckoo	37. Tawny-colored animals
42. A substance from coal	39. Sphere of action
43. Sunk-fence	40. River (Ger.)
45. Perform	
46. Always	
48. Past part. of "ride"	
50. Quality of sound	
52. Nostrils	
53. Hindu queen (var.)	
54. Fresh-water tortoise	

Yesterday's Answer

44. Father of Abel
47. Flowed
49. Arid
51. Measure (Chan.)

CRYPTOQUOTE—A cryptogram quotation

KN JLEUCNKC ATKFP KVM I...
YHHM JLGGE SHE JLEUCNKC JHIGO
WBN HVJGK FGKE—NBCCGE

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: HOW SMALL A PART OF TIME THEY SHARE THAT ARE SO WONDROUS SWEET AND FAIR—WALLER.

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TIM TYLER'S LUCK

N-NOT SO FAST TIM! IF IT'S REALLY FANG, WHY DOESN'T HE COME RUNNING TO GREET US?

HE HURT A PAW WHEN HE LANDED AFTER THE ELEPHANT LUNG HIM WITH HIS TRUNK—

IT'S JUST AS WE FIGURED, DARELLA—THE PANTHER IS FANG, MY OLD PET!

HE'S BEEN TAGGING ALONG WITH US!

SEND HIM AWAY QUICK! TUSKER'LL NEVER MAKE FRIENDS WITH A STEADY, TUSKER—STEADY!

MUGGS McGINNIS

OH, DON'T GET SO EXCITED MUGGS!

IS THAT YOU DOCTOR? WHEN I'M GLAD YOU'RE THERE! THIS IS SERIOUS! COME RIGHT OVER—

TAKE IT EASY, MUGGS! I'LL BE THERE IN A MINUTE. AND DON'T BE UPSET. I HAD A SIMILAR CASE YESTERDAY AND I FISHED THE DIME OUT IN A JIFFY!

GOSH, I'M GLAD TO HEAR THAT, DOCTOR! BUT IT SURE HAD ME WORRIED FOR A MINUTE...

A NICKEL OF THAT DIME BELONGS TO ME!

ETTA KETT

SPIRAL, WE'VE GOT TO MOVE— BUT FAST! IF THAT TREASURE IS STILL IN THE LAKE— IT WON'T BE THERE LONG!

I AGREE— BUT HOW?

A SPLENDID PLAN— BUT WE WILL NEED THE COOPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT!

NO, WE'LL DO THIS SOLO!

THE G-BOYS ARE O.K. BUT SOMEBODY MIGHT SPILL SOMETHING TOO SOON. LET'S FIND THE TREASURE AND THEN CALL THE MILITARY IN ON THE DEAL.

WELL, O.K.

START PACKING, AURORA. WE'VE HAD ENOUGH CITY LIFE FOR A WHILE. WE'RE AIRPORT BOUND!

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NOW FOR THIRTY DOLLARS— THE NEXT QUESTION IS: WHICH WEIGHS MORE, A POUND OF FEATHERS OR A POUND OF GOLD?

GOLD! ANY DOPE KNOWS THAT? OK DO I?

NO PROMPTING FROM THE AUDIENCE, PLEASE!— YOU HAVE THREE SECONDS LEFT—

HURRY! THINK FAST! WHICH WEIGHS MORE, A POUND OF FEATHERS OR A POUND OF GOLD?

GOLD! YOU GOON! GOLD!

FEATHERS! WE'RE RUINED!

WAIT! MRS. SHE'S RIGHT!

BIG SISTER

NO! I COULDN'T SEE HIM PLAIN ENOUGH TO TELL WHO HE WAS!

ANYHOW, HE'S LEFT THE PLACE.

IF WE GOT OUT OF HERE QUICK WE COULD CATCH UP TO HIM!

WE'RE FREE TO USE A WINDOW.

SHALL WE RACE AFTER HIM?

NO! TAKE IT THROUGH THE WOODS. TRY TO HEAD HIM OFF!

TOOTS AND CASPER

SNUFFY!! CHALK UP ANOTHER YALLER YAWKLEY—I—UH—HEY, SNUFFY!!

DURN YORE HIDE!! GUZZLIN' THEM CORN SQUEEZIN'S WON'T HELP YORE AIM NONE, YE SHIF'LESS SKONK!!

NOPE— BUT TWO-THREE MORE JUGS, AN' I WON'T GIVE A HOOT IF I GIT KILT OR NOT!!

YOU'RE SNUFFY'S COUSIN! I'LL WASH YOUR MOUTH OUT WITH SOAP!

OH, SO THEIR OLDER DAUGHTER, THROUGH JEALOUSY, TRIED TO PAWN OFF HER BABY SISTER ON YOU, COL. HOOVER?

DON'T CRY, SOPHIE, DEAR! THE BABY'S GONE, BUT YOU STILL HAVE ME!

YOU? I WOULDN'T SWAP THAT BABY'S LITTLE FINGER FOR FIFTY OF YOU! OH, I'M SO LONESOME WITHOUT THAT BABY! I LOVED HER.

HMM—M/I LOOKED PRETTY GOOD TO SOPHIE UNTIL THAT BABY CAME AROUND! I'M LIABLE TO SUE THE KID FOR ALIENATION OF AFFECTIONS.

JIMMY MURPHY

MICKEY MOUSE

POOR GOOFY! HE'S A GONER IF...

EEGA BEEGA! WAIT! YOU'LL KILL YOURSELF YOU...

PHANG ON!

FELIX THE CAT

GONE

NEWSPAPERARCHIVE



Johnny Lujack of Notre Dame heaves a pass in the shadow of San Francisco's city hall in the first practice for the annual New Year East-West football game to be played Jan. 1. Blockers are Art Fitzgerald (left) of Yale and Bill Luongo (right) of Pennsylvania.

Seeders Adds Henry Stofko To Alumni Basketball Team

Jerry Seeders, coach of the Alumni basketball team, announced yesterday that he has added another player to the squad that will meet Pottstown High's Trojans in the third annual ABC benefit game Friday night at the Pottstown Junior High palestra.

Two All-Americans To Lead Teams in Orange Bowl Tilt

MIAMI Fla., Dec. 24 (AP)—These are the days of mass substitutions and specialists but the Orange Bowl game here New Year's Day between Georgia Tech and Kansas will match two All-America players who can do just about everything on a football field and keep it up for 60 minutes of playing time.

Perhaps that's why the game has attracted keen interest although all the 58,700 available seats were sold months ago—long before either team was selected. The largest crowd ever to witness a sporting event in Florida is expected to jam the stands for the 2 p. m. (Pottstown Time) kickoff.

Georgia Tech, currently a 13-point favorite over the Jay-hawkers, boasts one of the few unanimous All-America choices in Bob Davis, a 20-year-old 220-pound six-foot four-inch tackle from Columbus, Ga.

Kansas Coach George Sauer calls Evans "the best all-around halfback I have ever seen in football."

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YMCA TOURNEY TO CONTINUE MONDAY NIGHT

Committee Announces Remainder of Schedule After Slight Mixup

The YMCA-Christmas basketball tournament committee held an emergency get-together yesterday afternoon to push aside some barriers that had brought the tourney to a standstill.

Jerry Seeders, committee chairman, announced after the meeting that the tournament will continue as planned, with two games being scheduled for Monday night and the finals slated for Tuesday night.

Seeders straightened matters yesterday when he revealed that Brownback's of Pottstown were allowed to enter the tourney after the deadline. Brownback's were moved into Roth's position in the schedule and the new entry won by forfeit from Central.

Roth's then took the place of Phoenixville Moose in the schedule after the Moose announced that it would be unable to appear last night because of traveling conditions. Roth's played Boyertown last night and dropped out of the tournament.

Phoenixville was not dropped from the tourney, but instead, drew a bye in the first round and will meet the Boyertown VFW in a second round game Monday night in the second game of the twin-bill.

The winners of the games scheduled for Monday night will battle for the championship Tuesday night in the finals.

Members of the winning team will be presented with gold medals, while members of the runner-up team will receive silver basketballs. In individual trophies will be awarded to members of an All-Tournament team, which will be selected by the tourney committee. A large loving cup will also be awarded to the player that is voted the most valuable in the tournament.

Good put his Trojans through a short practice session yesterday, preparing for Friday's game. This game isn't an important contest on the Pottstown schedule, but it gives the Trojans a chance to practice some new plays which Good gave them a few days ago.

Seeders revealed that his squad will not be able to hold a practice session, and that the boys as well as the "old timers" will have to do the best they can in the game.

SENIOR NEWSMAN DIES

PERU, Ill., Dec. 24 (AP)—John Fahey, 86, for more than 40 years Chicago staff correspondent for the old New York World, died yesterday of a cerebral hemorrhage. He was a native of Maine. During the Spanish-American war Fahey was a war correspondent.

FORMER ACTRESS DIES

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP)—Mrs. Anna Taylor Johnson, daughter of Gen. Richard Tank Taylor of the Confederate army and a retired stage and radio actress, died last night.

GREETINGS

May all of the joys of a glorious Christmas be the good fortune of our many friends and patrons

Warren H.

Freed

New Hanover

Lions Get Perfect Weather For Cotton Bowl Practice

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 24 (AP)—Penn State's Nittany Lions purred with delight at weather above freezing today and swung into a two-a-day practice session for their date in the Cotton Bowl here New Year's with Southern Methodist University.

Even missing Christmas at home and the injury of their co-captain yesterday failed to dampen the undefeated, untied Lion's enthusiasm for Texas, the Cotton Bowl and the weather.

Co-Capt. Bob Nolan twisted an ankle in a lumbering up exercise shortly after Penn State arrived here.

"It's nothing serious and he'll be ready for the game," Coach Bob Higgins said.

While Penn State settled for its first serious practice since ending regular season play, Southern Methodist's unbeaten but once tied

Mustangs were home for a brief holiday.

Higgins, who told shivering officials and fans that the slightly above freezing weather was "wonderful," planned to push the Lions hard.

"We need plenty of practice. It has been too cold at college to do anything but run and keep in some sort of physical condition. Everything we have planned is on paper."

Higgins revealed that he has no information on Southern Methodist other than what he has read in the papers and from what he saw when he scouted the Mustangs in their final game of the season—the 19-19 tie with Texas Christian University.

He said he would naturally stress pass defense.

Higgins frankly said he had nobody that could do everything as can Doak Walker, the Southern Methodist All-American.

Former Boxing Champ to Battle In Wrestling Program at Reading

READING, Dec. 24 — Former world's heavyweight boxing champion and presently the biggest name in pro wrestling, Primo Carnera, will make his fourth mat appearance here Friday night when he meets the rugged Nanjo Singh in the main event of Promoter Bert Bertolini's 16th Armory show of the season.

Undeclared since he hit the wrestling trail almost 18 months ago, Carnera has spilled three tough foes in Reading to date. The past May, he manhandled Big Ben Morgan; he tossed giant Eric Holmback in January and he pinned Milo Steinborn the past November.

Be Freeman's foe here Friday is no soft touch, however, for Singh earned his crack at the Ambling Ali by defeating Reading's own star, Marvin Mercer, the past week. Singh,

a swarthy, brutal workman, had Mercer out on his feet by using his dreaded cobra-hold, and he will give Carnera plenty of trouble Friday night.

In the semi-windup, Ace Freeman, popular 195-pounder from Chicago, will take on the villainous Pat Welsh, Boston. Freeman defeated Gus Rapp in the Armory a week ago.

Two half-hour matches are marked by the return of two Reading favorites, Steinborn, the Columbus, Ohio, strongman, and Frank Hewitt, Toronto, Can., who meet in one of the preliminaries.

Gus Raap and Fred Carone, Brooklyn bully, will battle in the other. The first match of the program is scheduled to get underway at 8:45 o'clock.



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Second Lieutenant Glenn Davis (left, former West Point football star, shows his father, Ralph O. Davis, a prepared statement he issued in Los Angeles confirming Washington reports that he has sought permission to resign from the Army.

Bears Get 2 Players From Cleveland Team

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Cleveland Barons of the American Hockey league today traded Walter (Babe) Pratt and Joe Cooper, defensemen, to the Hershey Bears for backliner Hy Buller.

"I know that the deal looks silly on paper," Al Sutphin, owner of the Barons, said, "but I feel that we have a winning club and can win without Cooper and Pratt. I have the greatest respect for their playing ability, but they don't fit in with the club."

He added that Pratt is the best defenseman that ever played in the league, "but neither man is the type we can use on our team."

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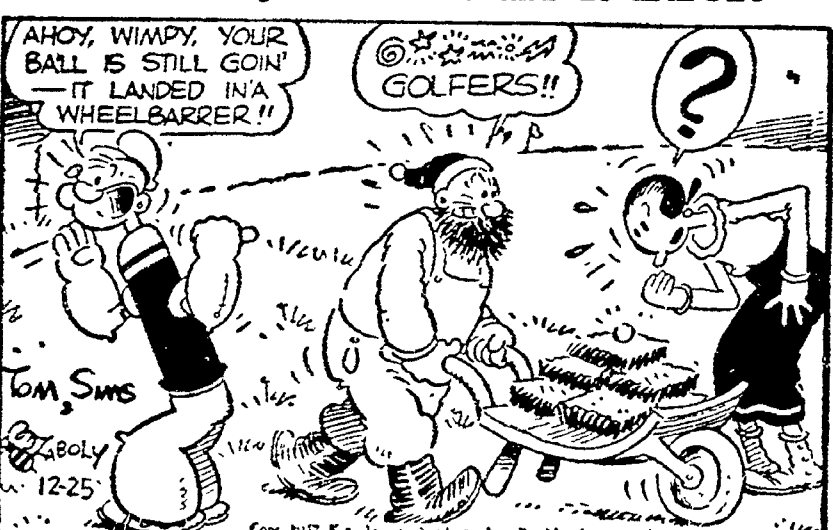


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wishes for the greatest
happiness that the
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joys at this time will
be too numerous to
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We extend to you
every good wish for a
joyous Christmas and
a very Happy New
Year.

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with high respect and good
cheer—may your Christmas
be merry and New Year
bright.

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Hearty Christmas Greetings
and sincere good wishes—
may the Joy of the Yule-
tide find its way into every
heart on this happy day.

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Ringing Hill

Y

Peace and Good Will to
all on this Glorious Day.
May the cheer linger with
you throughout the New
Year.

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Christmas Greetings

We're wrapping up every good wish we can
think of—in this little message, which comes
to say "Christmas Cheer" to you, and every-
one in your household.

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sincerest wishes for a
Christmas filled with joy
—for a New Year filled
with happiness, health,
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Accept our warm kindest
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truly sincere Merry Christ-
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Joy to you on Christmas
Day and may the coming
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all your fondest dreams.

Phillip's
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South Pottstown

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Season Greetings—Please
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my appreciation, together
with my Best Wishes for a
Joyful Christmas and a
prosperous New Year.

J. Swann
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Sassamansville

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as one of our valued friends
and customers we wish a
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ness for the new year.

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May the Spirit of Christ
be with you during the
Christmas Season and
throughout the year.

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Words of cheer for all ages,
a message from the bottom
of our heart—because we
do wish you the best of
everything at Christmas
time and the whole year
through!

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We Want to join the happy
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of Christmases!

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In grateful appreciation for
the many kindnesses
throughout the year, may
we express hearty good
wishes for a most Merry
Christmas and Happy New
Year.

Adam Simmons
Colliery Coal
Rahn's Hill, Sanatoga

Season's Greetings

In true appreciation of the
patronage that you have
extended in the past years,
let me express my wishes
to you for a very Merry
Christmas.

Paul Prior
Washing Machine Repairs
41 East Second Street

Greetings

and hope that this Christ-
mas season of goodwill and
good-fellowship is but the
forerunner of a New Year
of unbounded success, hap-
piness and contentment for
all.

Dr. J. B. Peterman
Veterinarian
77 South Keim Street

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To All of You From All of Us
A Bright Merry Christmas and Joyful New Year

Quigley Bros., Bally
Plymouth and DeSoto Dealer

Wishing You

A Merry Christmas and
through all the days of
the year ahead, Good Luck
and Real Success.

Berry's Trading Mart
20 S. Charlotte Street

Cheer For All

May Cheer and
Good Will be
yours always in
your heart.

Ted Slaybaugh
Colliery Coal
Ringing Hill

Wishes Galore



For a merrier Christmas,
here are wishes galore for
health, happiness and
prosperity.

Pottstown
Veterinary Hospital
A. Theodore Grayev, D.V.M.
58 N. Washington Street

Season's Greetings

The joy, the spirit, the happiness of an old-
fashioned Christmas is just about the best
wish we know of to extend to you this
Christmas season.

James J. Moore
Realtor
Gilbertsville — Pa.



E. I. Dames
Eddie Dames, Jr.
Jerry Dames
and
Bill Golden

Wish You All
A
Very
Merry
Christmas
and
Happy
New Year

Dames
Service Station
West High St., Stowe

A

The bells ring gaily
this Christmas Day—
while our best wishes
for the holiday are
filled with good cheer
for all our friends
and patrons.

C. C. Bickel
Kaiser - Frazer Dealer
Route 422
Douglassville, Pa.

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Everyone loves Christ-
mas and we all eagerly
wish each other well
during this jovial sea-
son. To you from us
—a Merry Christmas
and a happy New
Year.

King St. Garage
Kaiser-Frazer Dealer
150 King Street

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Loads of Good Luck,
Good Fun, and may
the best of good
health be yours from
this very Merry
Christmas on—is our
special sincere wish to
you.

Marvin (Gum) Linderman
Linderman Auto Sales
Hudson Sales and Service
High and Moser Road

To All Of You We Extend Season Greetings



It is our hope that
your Christmas this
year shall be filled to
overflowing with
much happiness and
Good Cheer and the
New Year packed with
everything that your
heart longed for.

Klein's Garage
Chrysler and Plymouth
Douglassville

Sincere Wishes

The holiday season presents a pleasant oppor-
tunity to express our appreciation of your
favors in the past year. May our service
prove to be a factor in the prosperity we wish
for you during the New Year.

Jas. C. Allen
Real Estate & Insurance
122 East Third Street



Social News

YOUR BIRTHDAY
ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY'S HOROSCOPE
TODAY'S BIRTHDAY celebrant is an ardent and assimilating reader; observant, and an interesting and fluent talker. You are honest, conscientious, methodical and discreet at all times. You are a true and loyal friend and have a sincere devotion to your loved ones.

Today
William Louis Sandoe, son of Mrs. Doris Sandoe, 318 South street.

Lawrence Wilhelm, son of Mrs. Julia Wilhelm, 1150 Cherry street.

Adella Miller, daughter of Mr. George Miller, 705 Beech street.

Barbara Favinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Favinger, 423 Jefferson avenue.

Jean Kunkle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Kunkle, Pottstown RD 4.

Jack Baird, son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Baird, 74 West Fifth street.

Donald Widger, son of Mrs. Thomas Widger, 553 Water street.

Robert Markoski, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Markoski, Pottstown RD 4.

Mildred Mehlman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Mehlman, Pottstown RD 4.

Christine Stetler, 319 South street.

Sandra Waters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Waters, 531 High street.

Isabel Phillips, daughter of Mr. Russell Nettles, 308 Union street.

Virginia Diener, 390 Spruce street, aged 15 years.

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

"FOR CHRIST IS BORN OF MARY,
AND, GATHERED ALL ABOVE,
WHILE MORTALS SLEEP, THE ANGELS KEEP
THEIR WATCH OF WONDERING LOVE.
O MORNING STARS, TOGETHER
PROCLAIM THE HOLY BIRTH!
AND PRAISES, SING TO GOD THE KING,
AND PEACE TO MEN ON EARTH."

—Phillips Brooks (1835-1893)



Barbara Ann Weikel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Phillips, 1040 High street.

ter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Weikel, 360 Lincoln avenue, aged one year.

Glenn Maxwell, 44 King street.

Frank A. Jacketti, Fairview street, Stowe.

Thelma Mae McDonald, Boyertown RD 1, aged 18 years.

Marian Elias, daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Victor Elias, 516 Walnut street.

Norbert H. Kean Jr., 56 West Third street, aged five years.

Lidy E. Fleck, Pottstown RD 4.

Walter Heister, 736 Walnut street.

Mrs. Harry E. Rhoads, 780 Queen street.

Nancy Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith, Pottstown RD 3, aged 12 years.

Tubis Store Employees
Entertained at Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Tubis, of the Tubis Shoe store, entertained their employees Tuesday night at a Christmas dinner at Lakeside inn. Appropriate decorations were used on the table.

Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rosenberg, Mrs. Kenneth Fryer, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rittenhouse.

Take off wet shoes as soon as possible. Leather is weak when wet.

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Ralph Hunsinger to Wed
Miss Charlotte M. Davis

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Davis, 43 East Third street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Charlotte M., to Mr. Ralph Hunsinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hunsinger, Douglassville RD 1.

Miss Davis is employed at Lincoln Underwear company and Mr. Hunsinger is employed at Firestone Tire and Rubber company.

The wedding date is June 12, 1948.

Ethel Conrad Engaged
To Joseph Suloman

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Conrad, of Congo, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ethel, to Mr. Joseph Suloman, Perkiomenville.

No wedding date has been set. Mr. Suloman is employed by the New England Auto Products corporation.

May Christmas
Bring You Joy,
Health and
HappinessREIFSNYDER'S
BARBER SHOP

Walter Reifsnnyder Prop
NEW BERLINVILLE

PERSONALS

Miss Suzanne E. Drabinsky, 566 East street, is spending the next two weeks in Phoenix, Ariz. with her fiancé, Sgt. J. C. Fisher who is stationed at Williams field.

High School Members
Entertained at Banquet

Members of the Pottstown High school band and drill team enjoyed a banquet recently at the Blossom restaurant. Messrs. Earl Strange and W. F. Lamb Jr. were in charge of the arrangements. Holly, Santa Claus decorations and candles decorated the table. There were approximately 70 members present.



We're not too old to believe in Santa Claus—because he's the symbol of benevolence and generosity! In his name we say "Merry Christmas."

FAT'S

Atlantic Service Station
High and Price Sts.

HOSPITALS

POTTSTOWN

Admitted: Mrs. Sylvia Raden, 449 High street, maternity; Mrs. Florence Lashaw, Bechtelsville, maternity; Orpha Smale, 329 South Hanover street, medical; Mrs. Emma Jane Elvin, Gilbertsville, maternity; Mrs. Dorothy Campbell, 1150 High street, maternity; Mrs. Nettie Yerger, Royersford, medical; C. Cleaver Root, 1001 Belleview avenue, medical.

Discharged: William Barber, Collegeville RD 1, surgical; Randall Pence, Boyertown, medical; Luther Graham, 1231 Maple street, surgical; George Pinkos, 206 South Franklin street, surgical; J. Evans Thomas, 41 High street, medical; Clair Zimmerman, Royersford, surgical; Woodrow Davidheiser, Pottstown RD 1, surgical; Thomas Dulan, Royersford, surgical; Darlene Biehl, Pottstown RD 1, medical; Karen Hunter, Hilldale surgical; Binnie Tasher, Pottstown RD 3, surgical.

MEMORIAL

Admitted: Rose Sill, 348 Chestnut street, medical.

Discharged: Mrs. Clara Achatz, 40 West Fourth street, medical; Walter Thomas, Pottstown RD 1, surgical; Jeanne Schurr, Douglassville RD 1, surgical; Melvin Schurr, Douglassville RD 1, surgical; Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas, Collegeville, surgical; Mrs. Alice Smith, Limerick, maternity; Mrs. Elizabeth Messer, Pottstown RD 3, maternity; Mrs. Marjorie Rosenberry, 343 Rosedale drive, maternity; Barbara Jane Hartensune, Elverson RD 1, surgical.

Christmas Party Held

By Girl Scout Troop 8

Girl Scouts of Troop 8 held a Christmas party Tuesday in the parish house of Christ Episcopal church under the leadership of Miss Dolores Pender.

Charlotte Anderson entertained as a magician. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments served.

It was announced that there will not be a meeting next week.

Scouts present were Alice Haines, Patty High, Rita Bechtel, Alice Takach, Nancy Rightmire, Marianne Amole, Joan Elliott, and Mrs. Sally Pierce and Mrs. Ruth Stoughton, troop committeewomen.

Turkey Dinner Is Held

By Mrs. Sue Drabinsky

Mrs. Sue Drabinsky, forelady of the folding and pressing department of the Lincoln Underwear mills, was hostess at a turkey dinner served Tuesday in her department.

Gifts were exchanged by the 22 members present.

Among the guests were Mr. Carson C. Potter, Mr. John Leiminger, Mr. Edward Schwoyer, Mrs. Margaret Miller and other employees of the folding, pressing and shipping departments and office force.

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Christmas
Greetings to
Patrons and
Friends

WE WILL BE CLOSED
ALL DAY TODAY

In order that our employees may have the full benefit of Christmas Day.

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RESTAURANT

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May cheerful wreaths
decorate your every
deed. Here's good cheer
for a happy Christmas



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GREETINGS

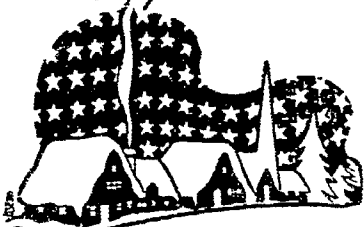
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cheer and the light
of fine fellowship to
you this Christmas.

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Merry Christmas



Our heartiest good wishes to you
this Christmas as the stars in the
heaven and the stars in our flag
unite for everlasting peace.

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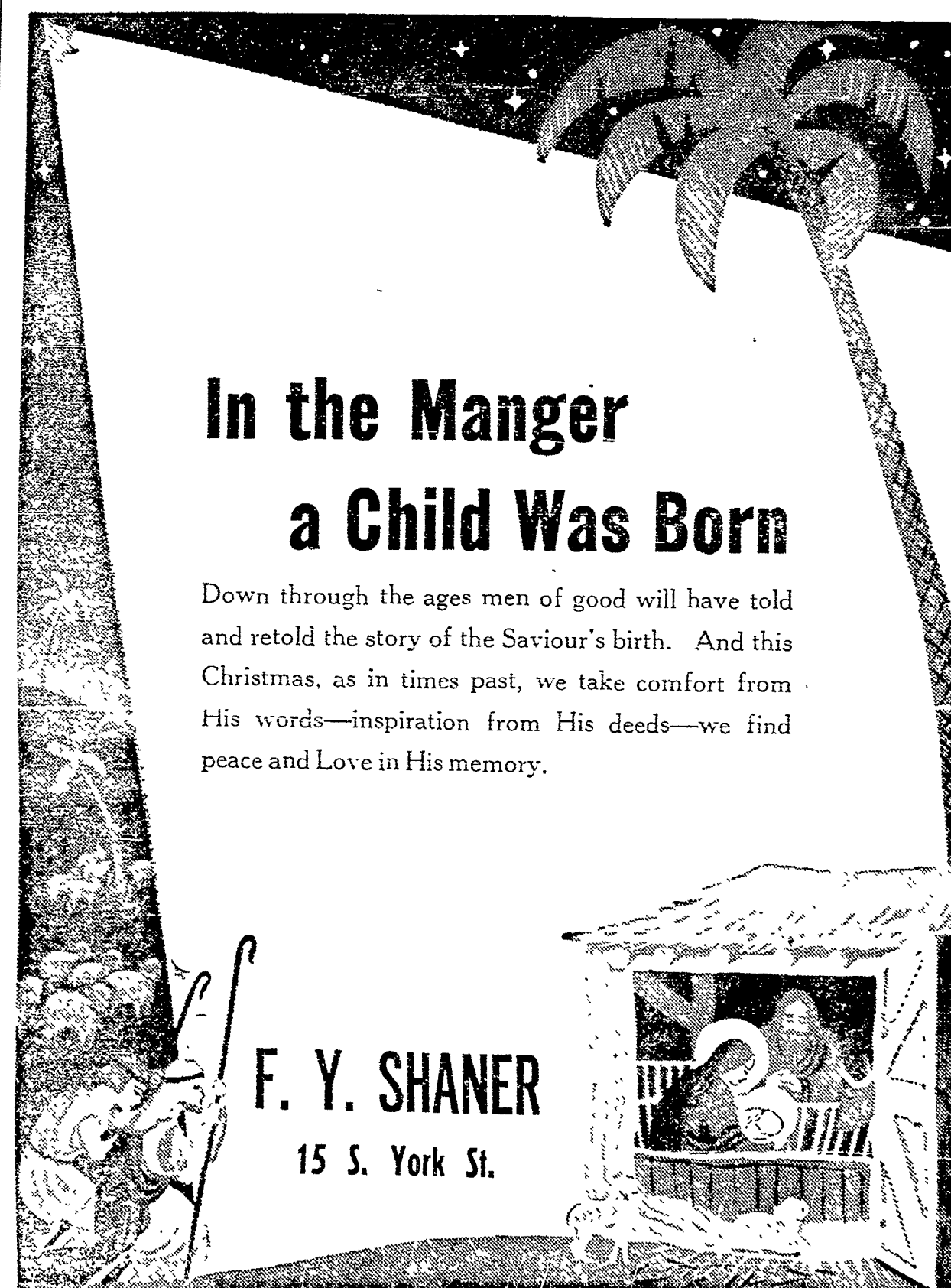
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CHRISTMAS
POTTSTOWN
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR
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970 HIGH ST.In the Manger
a Child Was Born

Down through the ages men of good will have told
and retold the story of the Saviour's birth. And this
Christmas, as in times past, we take comfort from
His words—inspiration from His deeds—we find
peace and Love in His memory.

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ALL THE WORLD STOPS AT
CHRISTMAS TIME — And as we stop
in the midst of the season of good cheer
our hearts grow tender as we are carried
back in thought to the reality of Christ-
mas Day, and what it means. In sincerity,
we greet you and wish you a delightful
holiday season.

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371 CHERRY ST.